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2396	5/12/47	WFO TT HQ	4	3	b1
2397	5/19/47	Strickland news Radd	1	1	
2398	5/10/47	WFO TT HQ	1	1	
2399	5/16/47	WFO TT HQ	3	3	b1
2400	5/17/47	DE airt	2	2	
2401	4/16/47	NY let HQ	2	0	b7c b7D
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2407	2/12/47	NY Let HQ	4	4	b7c b7D
2408	4/29/47	WFO Let HQ	3	2	b2 b7D
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2411	5/13/47	Strickland memo Ladd	1	1	b7D
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TO : Director  
FROM : D. M. Ladd  
SUBJECT: THE GREGORY CASE

DATE: May 1, 1947

Mr. Tolson  
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Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Ladd  
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Mr. Tracy  
Mr. Carson  
Mr. Egan  
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Mr. Pennington  
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Mr. Nease  
Miss Beahm  
Miss Gandy

You will recall that Harold Glasser has for sometime been the Treasury Department's Representative in China. He was not interviewed along with other subjects in this case on April 15, 1947 because of his absence from the country. However, he returned to Washington last Sunday and was interviewed by Agents of the Washington Field Office today and furnished the following information:

Generally, Glasser was cooperative in furnishing information concerning his past Pro-Communist activities and his acquaintances, some of whom are subjects in this case. However, he denied furnishing information which he obtained through the Treasury Department or any other Governmental agency to any individual outside of the Government. He denied being a member of the Communist Party but admitted his communistic activities and sympathies in 1933 and 1934 in Chicago, Illinois. He specifically admitted attending several Communist Party meetings.

Glasser admitted social acquaintanceship with Victor Perlo, Harry Dexter White, Charles Kramer, John Abt, Mr. and Mrs. Silvermaster, William Ludwig Ullmann and Virginus Frank Coe, all subjects of this case. He also admitted business or casual acquaintanceship with Alger Hiss and his brother, Donald Hiss.

Glasser admitted making contributions to the Loyalist Cause through the United American Spanish Aid Committee during the Spanish Civil War. He stated he was a firm believer in the Loyalist Cause on the basis of stopping Fascism. He admitted that he was possibly a member of the American League against War and Fascism. Glasser stated that since early 1940, he and Harry Dexter White have not been on intimate terms. White was his former superior in the Treasury Department.

During the interview, Glasser repeatedly denied that he had personally furnished or knew of the existence of any group which furnished Government information to any unauthorized sources.

During the interview, Glasser was extremely serious and appeared alarmed concerning the allegations of his complicity in this matter. The interview was terminated at Glasser's request due to prior business commitments. He will be interviewed further on Saturday morning, May 3, 1947.

## ACTION

This is submitted for your information and when the results of the complete interview have been obtained, it will be furnished to the Attorney General for further consideration.

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United States Department of Justice  
Washington Field Division, Room 1706  
Washington 25, D. C.

April 28, 1947

Director, FBI

RE: GREGORY  
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WILLIAM WALTER REMINGTON

Dear Sir:

The following is the complete result of a reinterview of subject REMINGTON on April 22 and 23, 1947.

On April 18, 1947, REMINGTON contacted this office stating that he desired to talk to agents again inasmuch as he had several questions he wanted to ask them. Accordingly, arrangements were made for REMINGTON to come to the Washington Field Office on April 22, 1947. At that time REMINGTON was interviewed by Special Agents WILLIAM R. CORNELISON, OSCAR H. SELLS and KENNERLY R. CORBETT from 10 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. [u]

REMINGTON stated that he was being considered for a position with the Atomic Energy Commission, having been recommended for this position by some of his former associates at the War Production Board. He stated that since his first interview with agents of the Washington Field Office he had called WARD STEWART of the Atomic Energy Commission, who had requested him to submit an application for employment and he advised STEWART that he was not sending in his application at this time, giving as his reasons that he had certain obligations to the Economic Advisory Council with which he is presently employed and due to a previous Dies investigation of him. REMINGTON requested advice from the interviewing agents as to whether he had done the right thing in not submitting his application to the Atomic Energy Commission. He stated that he was under the impression that the FBI either approved or disapproved the Atomic Energy Commission applications. REMINGTON was informed that while the FBI conducts the investigation of all Atomic Energy Commission applicants, the FBI does not make the decision as to whether the applicant will be approved or disapproved, and the interviewing agents informed him that they could not advise him in any way regarding his application with the Atomic Energy Commission. REMINGTON stated that he could understand the position of the FBI in the investigation of him, and that if he were "in our shoes" he would not himself approve of such an applicant. He added that while he himself might be all right, if there were a hundred other people like him in the Atomic Energy Commission, some of them might do a great deal of damage.

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REMINGTON stated that he had some additional information regarding some of his associates discussed in the previous interview. Regarding his mentioning of several persons in the Washington area who had attended the convention of the American People's Mobilization in Chicago, he recalled that a "Lucy" and a "Jack" who were unidentified by him during the first interview, were LUCY HANCOCK, a member of the Cafeteria Workers Union, and JACK ZUCKER, a member of the Shoe Union. REMINGTON recalled attending a meeting of the Executive Committee of the American People's Mobilization at a house in Georgetown, during which a discussion of leaflets arose. He advised that he did not like the approach of these people in the preparation of these leaflets, particularly the slogans being used, etc. He added that he felt they were too isolationist in their ideas. He added that there were about four people at this meeting, which was held at the home of a man about fifty years of age whose wife had been active in the American People's Mobilization. He could only name one person who attended this meeting - JOE GILLMAN. He described GILLMAN as a short, stocky man with a high forehead, that he was practically bald, wore glasses and had a definite accent. He does not recall ever seeing any of these people again except GILLMAN, whom he later saw in 1943 when GILLMAN came to see THOMAS BLAISDELL, War Production Board, regarding a trade proposal with Russia which GILLMAN had worked out. At that time BLAISDELL was the immediate supervisor of REMINGTON.

REMINGTON advised that in the previous interview he had overlooked one organization of which he is a member, namely, the American Veterans Committee. He stated that although he felt that the AVC should not be considered a Communist front organization, he knew that there had been Communist groups active in the AVC. He advised that he had played a semi-active part in the anti-Communist group in Washington, and that the so-called Communist group seemed to be lead by one DON ROTHENBERG, whom he had met at the home of the REDMONTS. REMINGTON also recalled meeting ROTHENBERG at a party given by ROTHENBERG in honor of JOAN REDMONT in the spring of 1946. (ROTHENBERG is the brother of BERNARD REDMONT's wife, JOAN). He is also President of the AVC chapter at George Washington University.

On one occasion REMINGTON recalled having lunch with two men whom he knew while employed by the Tennessee Valley Authority, Knoxville, Tennessee. These men were JOHNNY FRANTZ and "CHICK" ALBER. During this luncheon ALBER appeared not to like the way the war was going in Europe and seemed to be very anti-British. REMINGTON got the impression that ALBER might be a Communist. He could not recall the date of this luncheon but believed it to be before Germany invaded Russia.

REMINGTON stated that in February, 1947, he made a trip to New York, which was probably well known to the FBI, and inasmuch as he felt that

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his actions on this trip might be suspicious he wanted to explain them. He stated that ROBERT KLEIMAN of World Report Magazine asked him to pick up some books at the "Four Continents" bookstore, which was described by REMINGTON as the official Russian bookstore in New York City. REMINGTON enumerated a number of books dealing with Russian history, which KLEIMAN wanted for research purposes because he was anticipating going to Moscow to report the Ministers Conference for World Report Magazine. REMINGTON recalled that he had difficulty in locating these books and in his efforts contacted the Workers Bookshop, Barnes and Noble Bookstore, Macy's Bookstore, Brentano's and Scribner's. He stated that he was told at the Four Continents Bookstore to contact a Mrs. ROSEN of the International Book Service, Riverside Drive, New York. He did not go to this address but did contact them telephonically and was told by Mr. ROSEN that they had several thousand books about Russia. He subsequently gave this latter address to KLEIMAN. (u)

REMINGTON was again questioned about his contacts with HELEN and pertinent information developed was reported to the Bureau by letter dated April 23, 1947, which incorporated the signed statement of REMINGTON. (u)

Regarding his association with BERNARD S. REDMONT, REMINGTON stated that he first met REDMONT in the fall of 1940 at the home of the "DUCKS" - who lived on 110th Street, one or two blocks east of Amsterdam in New York City. He stated that at the time REDMONT has just been chased out of Europe, where he had gone on some kind of fellowship he had received from Columbia University. (u)

REDMONT stated that he knew that JOE NORTH was either a Communist, or at least a fellow traveler, and undoubtedly the man he knew as JOHN was a fellow traveler in view of his association with NORTH. He also advised that he knew that PM was a leftist newspaper and that I. F. STONE was a leftist. He also stated that HELEN was a leftist but advised that if Russia had not been on our side he would not have talked with anyone who was a leftist. REMINGTON seemed to justify his actions in talking with these people at that time because of the fact that the United States was making every effort to get along with the leftist element in this country. (u)

REMINGTON stated that his disagreements with his mother-in-law, ELIZABETH MOOS, stemmed from the fact that her attitude regarding the Russian invasion of Finland was the opposite of his. He stated that he was very much opposed to this invasion while she was pro-Russian. He felt that ELIZABETH MOOS was converted to Communism by AL WARREN, a veteran of the Spanish International Brigade, who came here from Spain and lived with Mrs. MOOS. He added that WARREN was an organizer for the Communist Party and on one of

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his recent trips to New York City he saw WARREN and that WARREN advised him that he, WARREN, expects to take a trip to the West Coast in the summer of 1947. REMINGTON recalled meeting EDWIN S. SMITH, CORLISS LAMONT and PHILIP JAFFE and others at a party he attended with ELIZABETH MOOS in New York City. He definitely remembers JAFFE because he got into an argument with him regarding Russia's participation in the Pacific end of the war. (u)

REMINGTON stated that he had attended parties in 1940, mostly on Sunday, at the home of BILL HINCKLEY. Other persons attending these parties were RALPH HADSELL, \_\_\_\_\_, FOWLER, and HENRIETTA \_\_\_\_\_. He believed that HENRIETTA might have been HENRIETTA BUCKMASTER. He stated that HINCKLEY was formerly employed by the Railroad Retirement Board and the American Red Cross and was at one time head of the American Youth Congress and was closely associated with JOE CADDEN and VIVIAN LEHMAN, who is CADDEN's wife. (u)

During the interview REMINGTON was asked what conclusions he would make regarding a person who associated with the type of people he had been associating with and who had been affiliated with various organizations which had been considered Communist front organizations, and he stated that if he had to make a classification of himself he would call himself a "misguided liberal and possibly a Communist." (u)

On April 15, 1947, while under physical surveillance, REMINGTON was observed to meet HARRY MAGDOFF and LOUIE BEAN at the corner of 15th Street and New York Avenue, as they were returning from lunch. They walked from 15th Street to the State Department Building, where REMINGTON parted from MAGDOFF and BEAN. Upon questioning, REMINGTON stated that he knew MAGDOFF when he was employed at the War Production Board and added that JAY DEISS, a former neighbor at Tauxemont, had told him that MAGDOFF had left the Department of Commerce and was now employed by the New Council of American Business. He stated that BEAN was employed by the Bureau of the Budget. At the time he volunteered no further information concerning these persons. (u)

At the conclusion of the interview on April 22, 1947, REMINGTON was asked if he would sign a statement regarding his association with persons connected with this case, and he agreed to sign a statement prepared either by himself or the interviewing agents. Subsequently a statement was prepared and he returned to the Washington Field Office on the morning of April 23, 1947, and signed a prepared statement in which he made certain minor changes. This statement was forwarded to the Bureau by letter dated April 23, 1947. (u)

When REMINGTON returned to the Washington Field Office on the morning of April 23, 1947, he gave the following additional information:



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He stated that JOE NORTH came to Washington when he, REMINGTON, lived on N Street in October, 1940, and during his visits to Washington he saw many people. On one occasion he called REMINGTON's wife, ANN, and came to the REMINGTON home for dinner. He stated that he knew NORTH was in Washington in 1931 covering the Veterans bonus march for a magazine with the idea that a revolution was going to break out in Washington, D. C. at that time, and to elude any special agents who might be following or looking for him NORTH did not come from New York on the train but flew down on a plane. REMINGTON voluntarily offered his services to help uncover any other members or groups connected with instant case, and even suggested that he might make an effort to place himself where he could come in contact with JOE NORTH to see if NORTH would try to introduce him to someone else, who is still active in espionage work. He added that in the event he was ever contacted again by anyone seeking information he would immediately contact the nearest FBI Office. (u)

REMINGTON advised that the reason for his present predicament could be based on two mistakes he had made; namely, a bad marriage, and the fact that he always took an abstract view of things; and he expects to pay for these mistakes either directly or indirectly the rest of his life. (u)

In his association with HENRY WARE, he stated that he had heard WARE make very critical remarks against Russia but cannot understand the company he continues to keep. REMINGTON would not elaborate on these remarks concerning WARE. Regarding ROBERT DAVENPORT, REMINGTON stated that he did not believe DAVENPORT was a Communist; however, he was an extreme liberal and he associates with questionable people. He stated that ROBERT LEHMAN was not and has never been a Communist. However, he has a brother who participates in front organizations. He could not recall LEHMAN's brother's first name. (u)

Regarding REMINGTON's membership in the American Veterans Committee, he offered to attend the meetings of this organization and try to obtain the names of those members in the AVC who voted against the ousting of Communists. He stated that if he were successful in getting these names he would turn them over to the Washington Field Office. REMINGTON also suggested that may be the Bureau could use his services upon the return of BERNARD S. REDMONT to this country. (u)

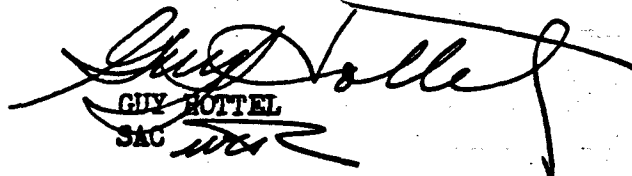
Upon the conclusion of this interview REMINGTON was asked if he would advise this office when he changes his address or job and he stated that he would be very glad to do so. (u)



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On April 24, 1947, REMINGTON contacted Special Agent WILLIAM R. CORNELISON by telephone and stated that he had again received a request from the Atomic Energy Commission to submit his application for employment with that organization, and that he would like to have a representative of the Atomic Energy Commission talk with Agent CORNELISON so he could be apprised of REMINGTON's background. REMINGTON was advised that under no circumstances could information be given to anyone at the Atomic Energy Commission unless the Commission had requested such an investigation to be made by the FBI and that this would have to come through official channels. In this regard REMINGTON stated that he would not file his application with the Atomic Energy Commission. (u)

Very truly yours,

  
GUY HOTTEL  
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cc - New York

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WASHINGTON FROM WASHINGTON FIELD 4-30-47

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GREGORY, ESP R, HAROLD GLASSER. GLASSER INTERVIEWED AT THE FIELD OFFICE FROM TEN A. M. TO ELEVEN FORTY FIVE A. M. THIS DATE. IN GENERAL, GLASSER WAS COOPERATIVE IN FURNISHING INFORMATION REGARDING HIS PAST PRO-COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES AND REGARDING HIS ACQUAINTANCES, SOME OF WHOM ARE SUBJECTS IN THE GREGORY CASE. HE DENIES FURNISHING TREASURY OR FEA INFORMATION TO ANYONE OUTSIDE OF OFFICIAL BUSINESS. HE DENIES EVER BEING A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY BUT ADMITS COMMUNISTIC ACTIVITIES AND SYMPATHIES IN NINETEEN THIRTY THREE AND NINETEEN THIRTY FOUR IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. SPECIFICALLY, HE ADMITS ATTENDING SEVERAL COMMUNIST PARTY MEETINGS. HE ADMITS SOCIAL ACQUAINTANCESHIP WITH VICTOR PERLO, HARRY WHITE, CHARLES KRAMER, JOHN ABT, THE SILVERMASTERS, LUDWIG ULMAN, GEORGE SHANNHEIMER, NATHAN WITT, LEE PRESSMAN, FRANK JOE. HE ADMITS BUSINESS OR CASUAL ACQUAINTANCESHIP WITH ALGER AND DONALD HISS AND DONALD W. WHEELER. HE ADMITS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE LOYALIST CAUSE THROUGH THE UNITED AMERICAN SPANISH AID COMMITTEE DURING THE ENTIRE SPANISH CIVIL WAR. HE WAS A FIRM BELIEVER IN THE LOYALIST CAUSE ON THE BASIS OF STOPPING FASCISM. HE ADMITS POSSIBLE MEMBERSHIP IN THE AMERICAN LEAGUE AGAINST WAR AND FASCISM. HE ADVISED THAT HARRY WHITE TERMINATED THEIR INTIMATE FAMILY FRIENDSHIP IN EARLY NINETEEN FORTY, CAUSE UNKNOWN, BUT POSSIBLY AT THE INSTIGATION OF REMARKS MADE BY SILVERMASTERS WHITE CONCERNING GLASSER'S PRIOR MARRIAGE. GLASSER REPEATEDLY DENIED

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GOVERNMENT INFORMATION TO UNAUTHORIZED SOURCES. DURING THE INTERVIEW,  
GLASSER PERSPIRED FREELY, WAS EXTREMELY SERIOUS AND APPEARED ALARMED  
CONCERNING ALLEGATIONS OF HIS COMPLICITY IN THIS MATTER. THE INTERVIEW  
WAS TERMINATED AT THE REQUEST OF GLASSER DUE TO HIS PRIOR PRESSING  
COMMITMENTS. GLASSER WILL BE REINTERVIEWED AT TEN FIFTEEN A. M. ON  
SATURDAY, MAY THREE, NINETEEN FORTY SEVEN.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: April 26, 1947

FROM : SAC, NEWARK

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SUBJECT: GREGORY  
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(ABRAHAM BROTHMAN)

Mr. Tolson  
Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Tracy  
Mr. Carson  
Mr. Egan  
Mr. Gurnea  
Mr. Harbo  
Mr. Hendon  
Mr. Pennington

Re New York letter 3/25/47.

PEGGY VOORHES, Secretary, PALMER PHYSICS LABORATORY, Princeton, New Jersey, advised MILLICENT GERSON employed as Junior Physicist PALMER LABORATORY February 15, 1944, to October, 1945, on contracts for Office of Scientific Research and Development, and employment at Princeton cleared by O.S.R.D. GERSON previously employed by JAMES MCCREERY AND COMPANY, Fifth Avenue and 54th Street, September, 1942, to February, 1943.

Prior to residing at 64-34 99th Street, Forest Hills, New York City, lived at 3 East 101st Street, New York City. Father, EPHRAIM GERSON, 64-34 99th Street, Forest Hills, born U.S.A.; mother, CLAIRE GERSON, same address, born Russia; brother, ROBERT, as of 1944 in U. S. Army; sister, ROSALIND, then in nursing school, Mt. Sinai Hospital, New York City; brother, GEORGE, at home in Forest Hills, Long Island.

Personal References: Dr. H. ROSOTSKY, dentist, U. S. Army, c/o 31 Union Square (no city given), acquainted ten years; Dr. I. GAINE, 685 West End Avenue (no city given), acquainted eleven years; SADIE AMOLS, nurse, Far Rockaway, Long Island, acquainted eighteen and one-half years.

Write-up of GERSON's job by Professor HERBERT BECKWITH, Administrative Head of O.S.R.D. Projects 44 - 45, and now professor at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, as set forth in letter of recommendation written for GERSON to Department of Physics, Stanford University, reflects her duties concerned development of electronic equipment and maintenance and operation of high-speed spark photographic equipment. She demonstrated satisfactory work with limited supervision, showing intelligence and serious attitude. BECKWITH stated GERSON's training in theory stronger than in experimental work, but progress made at Princeton. Recommended as good candidate for advanced study in physics with good personality and cooperative attitude.

Professor WALKER BLAKENEY, Experimental Head of O.S.R.D. projects 44 - 45 advised GERSON did high-speed photographic work at PALMER LABORATORY in experiments conducted to determine effect of projectals and effect of

cc - Washington Field (100-17493)  
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various types of explosions. Work included photographs of blasts from guns in connection with development of muzzle breaks. This work was confidential and secret in that it was part of a compilation of data that would require considerable time for another country to duplicate. GERSON described by BLAKENEY as individual of average intelligence with a little originality; could do specific tasks when assigned but displayed little imagination and creative ability.

According to BLAKENEY, GERSON during time employed displayed no indication of disloyalty and gave no evidence of un-American tendencies. No derogatory associations observed with respect to GERSON.

Newark indices reflect GERSON not known to have affiliated with Communist Party or Russian activities in New Jersey.

No further action being taken by Newark unless specifically requested.

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R. ON EARLY AFTERNOON MAY TWO URSULA WASSERMAN ARRIVED  
APARTMENT OF MARY JANE KEENEY WHO IS PRESENTLY IN GARFIELD HOSPITAL.

WASSERMAN CONTACTED CHARLES BERNHARD, SOCIAL SECURITY BOARD, AND WIFE  
CAROLYN BERNHARD, COMMERCE DEPARTMENT, ARRANGING TO VISIT BERNHARDS THAT  
EVENING. BERNHARDS MENTIONED THEY PLANNED TO DEPART FOR MEXICO TUESDAY  
ON HOOF AND MOUTH DISEASE PROGRAM FOR AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT. BERNHARD TO  
BE IN CHARGE OF INFORMATION PROGRAM. WASSERMAN STATED SHE WOULD ATTEND  
DIPLOMATIC PARTY. PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE DISCLOSED WASSERMAN VISITED BERN-  
HARDS AS PLANNED. THEREAFTER SHE PROCEEDED ALONE BY CAB TO POLISH EMBASSY

WHERE LARGE PARTY INCLUDING MANY NOTABLES AND OFFICIALS WAS IN PROGRESS.

INFORMANT ADVISED WASSERMAN ALSO CONTACTED JUDITH HELLER MAKING APPOINTMENT  
FOR MAY THREE. DURING CONVERSATION SHE INQUIRED IF JUDITH WOULD LIKE TO  
SEE HER ALONE TO WHICH JUDITH STATED YES. THIS MORNING WASSERMAN PROCEEDED  
BY CAB TO APARTMENT OF VICTOR AND JUDITH HELLER, THREE ONE THIRTY WISCONSIN  
AVENUE, REMAINING APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR. WASSERMAN DEPARTED WASHINGTON  
ONE P.M. TRAIN FOR NEW YORK. PRIOR TO DEPARTURE ALIX REUTHER CONTACTED  
WASSERMAN ADVISING SHE HAD RESIGNED HER POSITION AT WAR DEPARTMENT AND RE-  
QUESTING WASSERMAN ASSIST HER IN OBTAINING JOB, FURTHER THAT ALIX PLANS TO  
GO TO NEW YORK NEXT WEEK AND WILL STAY WITH ALICE JAYSON, BEAUX ARTS, NORTH  
BUILDING. URSULA INDICATED SHE HAD GOTTEN MIKE (GREENBERG) NEWSPAPER JOB.

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cc Mr. F. Jones

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: May 1, 1947

FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field Division

SUBJECT: GREGORY

ESPIONAGE - R

RE: JOSEPH B. GREGG

Reference is made to Buffalo Office teletype of April 16, 1947 in captioned matter and in particular to GREGG'S statement that he paid Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN \$2200 for dental work through the medium of postdated checks drawn on the Hamilton National Bank in Washington, D. C.

With reference to the above, attention is invited to a letter postmarked New York City, February 1, 1946, from DR. A. B. WEINSTEIN of 20 East 53rd Street, New York City, which was directed to JOSEPH GREGG and stated "in our great hurry to leave the office we have overlooked to give you another check book which contained ten more checks of the series of thirtytwo, so we will hold them for you to sign when you next come into the office."

In connection with GREGG'S statement that he gave postdated checks in payment of his dental bill, please be advised that GREGG'S bank account at the Hamilton National Bank in Washington, D. C. has been monitored from 1935 to date and at no time have checks been charged against this account which would substantiate GREGG'S explanation of payments to DR. WEINSTEIN or correspond to the checks described as being a portion of "the series of the 32".

From the above, it would appear that GREGG'S explanation of the exchange of checks with DR. WEINSTEIN is an out and out fabrication.

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cc, New York

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. Ladd

FROM : J. C. Strickland

SUBJECT: GREGORY  
ESPIONAGE - R  
(Mary Jane Keeney) - Summary

DATE: April 30, 1947

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There is attached hereto a brief memorandum setting out the general Communist activities of Mary Jane and Philip Olin Keeney.

This memorandum has been prepared pursuant to a request from Mr. Hamilton Robinson, State Department, for his use in contacting Senator Murray of Montana regarding the State Department's refusal of a passport to Mary Jane Keeney.

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## ACTIONS:

It is recommended that the Liaison Section furnish the attached to Mr. Robinson and request Robinson to advise Senator Murray that Mary Jane Keeney should not be apprised of the contents of this memorandum since she is currently being investigated by the Bureau.

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MARY JANE KEENEY

BACKGROUND

Mary Jane KeeneY was born on February 20, 1890, at Woodstock, Illinois. She is presently married to Philip Olin KeeneY who is a civil employee of the War Department in Japan. She was previously married to Legare George whom she divorced in Los Angeles on January 9, 1935. From April to July, 1929, she was employed as an assistant librarian at the University of Michigan. On October 14, 1942 she obtained employment at the Board of Economic Warfare, later known as the Foreign Economic Administration in Washington, D. C. From November 1945 until March, 1946, she was employed as a representative of the Allied Reparations Commission in Prague. Upon her return she continued her employment with FEA, which had been taken over by the State Department. She resigned from the State Department in June, 1946. She is presently unemployed and resides at 215 E Street, Northeast, Washington, D. C.

COMMUNIST ACTIVITY

In 1931 Philip Olin KeeneY secured a position at the library of the University of Montana and shortly thereafter was appointed a librarian. He was dismissed from this position on September 2, 1937, on the grounds of incompetency. He immediately contested his discharge claiming that he had been dismissed because he opposed the appointment of the new President of the University and because he had been instrumental in organizing a chapter of the American Federation of Teachers. The American Civil Liberties Union and the American Federation of Teachers became interested in KeeneY's case and caused it to be widely publicized. The case was finally taken into the State Court of Montana where the action of the University in dismissing him was upheld, but on appeal to the State Supreme Court of Montana, the decision was reversed and KeeneY was ordered reinstated on June 18, 1938.

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After moving to Washington in 1940, the Koenys became active in the Washington Cooperative Book Shop, which has been reported to be an outlet for Communist propaganda in Washington, and which organization has been declared subversive by the Attorney General of the United States.

Thereafter, and at the present time it is known that Mary Jane Koeny and her husband are contacts of numerous known and suspected Communists in Washington, New York City, Paris, France, and in Mexico.

In the Spring of 1947, Mary Jane Koeny attempted to join her husband in Japan as a dependent wife of a civil employee of the War Department. On April 3, 1947, she was advised by the State Department that a passport would not be issued to her. Since that time she has been in personal contact with Mrs. Ruth Shipley of the Passport Division, State Department, in an effort to determine the reason behind the refusal of her passport. The only answer she has been able to obtain is "for security reasons". Subsequently she has been in contact with Senator Tobey, Murray, and Harbo. She has also contacted Frederick Path of the Democratic National Committee; H. Bowen Smith and Lucien E. Limer, formerly of FEA; Allan Rosenberg, also formerly of FEA; Dr. Norman Kabet of the Kaiser-Kabet Institute; and David R. Wahl, of the American-Jewish Conference. They have all shown an interest in her case and have indicated that they will attempt to determine why her passport application was turned down.

Mary Jane Koeny believes the reason for her passport refusal is her membership in the Washington Cooperative Book Shop and the fact that she wrote an article entitled "The Making of a Radical" in the September, 1939 issue of a magazine entitled "Black and White" published in Los Angeles, California. This article reflected the change in Mary Jane's political views.

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May 3, 1947

Director, FBI

GREGORY KEYSTONE - 1  
(Mary Jane Keeney)

You will recall that during the investigation of Mary Jane Keeney and her husband, Philip, that information has been developed that one of their close New York contacts is Josephine Truslow Adams. Information has likewise been received through highly confidential sources that Josephine Adams has been in contact with the late President Roosevelt and his wife.

In substantiation of this information, the New York Field Division advised in a letter to the Bureau dated March 29, 1947, that according to its confidential informant [redacted] that Josephine Truslow Adams was the intermediary between Earl Browder and the Roosevelt family, including the late President Roosevelt, from the time Earl Browder was released from prison until he was deposed as the leader of the Communist Political Association. Josephine Adams collected information from the White House and turned it over to Browder which, according to the informant, undoubtedly, found its way to Moscow. The informant stated that he knew of this situation because he had been told of the function of Josephine Adams on several occasions by different comrades, and on one occasion, he was told of the important function of Josephine Adams by Earl Browder. The informant did not elaborate any further.

The foregoing is furnished for your information in order to show the importance of Josephine Adams, a known contact of the Keeneys.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. LADD *DL*  
 FROM : E. G. Fitch *E. G. Fitch*  
 SUBJECT: GREGORY  
 (PHILIP OLIN KEENEY)

DATE: 5/5/47

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**ACTION:**

It is suggested that this memorandum be routed to the Internal Security Section.

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TO : Director, FBI

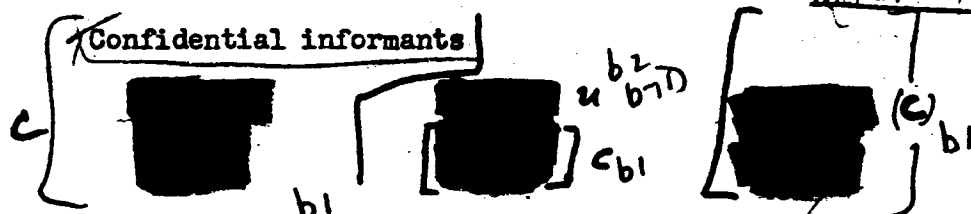
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DATE: April 28, 1947

FROM : SAC, New York

 SUBJECT: GREGORY  
 ESPIONAGE - R  
 (P. BERNARD NORTMAN)

Relet 1/31/47, requesting exhibition of photo of NORTMAN to any available confidential informants [redacted] to determine identity of NORTMAN as a C.P. member in Unit One of C.P. and particularly to determine NORTMAN'S Party name.



whose identities are known to the Bureau and who have knowledge of the activities of the Party during the above period were contacted with negative results.

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Mr. Ladd

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THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

May 10, 1947

GREGORY CASE

Reference is made to my letter to you dated April 26, 1947, which transmitted investigative reports reflecting the results of interviews with a number of subjects in this case, including those employed by the Government. Particular reference is made to an interview had with E. Bernard Mortman, an employee of the State Department.

The State Department has requested that this Bureau furnish to them the results of the interview with Mortman. Your advice is desired as to whether this request should be complied with or whether it is a matter which will be handled by the Department.

Other government employees who were interviewed included Edward Joseph Fitzgerald, Department of Commerce; Sonie Steinman Gold, Treasury Department; and William Walter Hemington, Economic Advisory Council, Executive Offices of the President.

In view of the request from the State Department, it is anticipated that similar requests will be made by the heads of other government agencies where the other subjects who were interviewed are employed.

I will appreciate your advice as to whether this Bureau should furnish the results of any of these interviews to governmental departments or if the Department desires that such information be withheld pending further decision regarding the disposition of this case.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE: May 3, 1947

TO : D. M. IADD *OK*  
 FROM : E. G. Fitch *EGF*  
 SUBJECT: GREGORY  
 ESPIONAGE - R  
 (Mary Jane Keeney)

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Reference is made to the attached memorandum to you from Mr. Strickland dated April 30, 1947, requesting that the Liaison Section furnish a blind memorandum to Mr. Robinson of the State Department concerning Mary Jane Keeney.

Pursuant to your request, Mr. Roach made the original of the attached copy of the blind memorandum available to Mr. Robinson and informed him that the memorandum was submitted for his confidential use and that any information he might supply to Senator Murray should be handled in such a manner that it will not get back to Keeney. Mr. Robinson was further informed by Mr. Roach that when he discusses this matter with Murray he should inform the Senator that the Bureau has made no recommendation concerning the issuance of a passport to her. Mr. Robinson informed Mr. Roach that he was well aware of the Bureau's desire to keep the information confidential and that he would handle it in such a way that it would not get back to Keeney. He further stated that he was quite aware of the fact that the Bureau had not made any recommendations one way or the other concerning the issuance of a passport and that he would so advise Senator Murray.

## RECOMMENDATION

It is suggested this memorandum be referred to the Internal Security Section for its information.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENTCO  
TO : Director, FBI

DATE: April 12, 1947

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: GREGORY CASE  
(Alix Reuther)

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At a recent Intelligence Conference, Colonel CRIST of MID advised this office that he had received a request for investigation relative to ALIX REUTHER from his headquarters in Washington. The request did not indicate the reason for the investigation and prior to conducting such investigation Colonel CRIST desired to know whether we had a record on ALIX REUTHER and whether we had an active investigation concerning her inasmuch as he did not desire to encroach on our jurisdiction.

A check of the files of this office reflects a number of references concerning ALIX REUTHER, indicating that she has been in touch with subjects in the GREGORY case and also that she was in touch with subjects in the case entitled "PHILIP JACOB CAFFE, Espionage (C)", New York file 65-14461. It is further indicated that she resides in Washington, D. C.

On April 10th, 1947 Lieutenant Colonel BLANCHARD of MID was advised that our files reflected that ALIX REUTHER resides in Washington, D. C., and therefore any check of our files should be made in that city through appropriate liaison representatives.

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Lieutenant Colonel BLANCHARD advised that apparently REUTHER is presently an employee of the War Department and for that reason the investigation has been requested by his Washington headquarters. He advised that he would go ahead with the investigation in this area and would suggest that any information from our files relative to REUTHER be checked in Washington.

This information is furnished to the Bureau and the Washington Field Office in view of the reference to REUTHER in the above two files.

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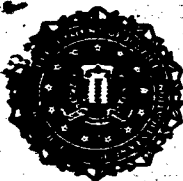
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United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
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Washington Field Division, Washington, D. C.

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March 25, 1947

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Director, FBI

Re: GREGORY  
ESPIONAGE - R

DORIS E. PLENN  
(Mrs. ABEL ROLF PLENN)

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DORIS E. PLENN is the wife of ABEL ROLF PLENN, a subject in the GREGORY case and author of the pro-Communist book "Wind in the Olive Trees."

During the course of the investigation of ABEL PLENN, his wife has become of increasing interest. She has numerous friends and acquaintances who are known Communists or are staunch supporters or advocates of the Communist Party line. She is known to have

DORIS PLENN is a militant supporter of Communist policy and projects and is an apostle of inter-racialism, continually supporting the Communist line in this field. She has either supported or exhibited interest in such Communist infiltrated organizations as the Southern Conference for Human Welfare, the National Council of Negro Women, the Washington Book Shop, the Highlander Folk School, and Washington Win the Peace Convention.

From information available to the Washington Field Division, it is known that DORIS PLENN is the widow of EMJO BASSHE, a known Communist of considerable prominence several years ago. BASSHE's name appears in the book "The Red Network" by ELIZABETH DILLING, where he is described as an American radical (Communist), a member of the Communist League of Professional Groups, Secretary of the Culture Department and Director of the Workers International, Officer in Charge of Young Pioneers Camp, a contributor to the "New Masses", and executive worker in the John Reed Club.

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The BASSHES reportedly lived in New York during the 1930's, where DORIS had numerous Communist and pro-Communist friends and acquaintances and where her husband worked actively on behalf of the Communists in that area. One daughter, EMILY, now about seventeen years old, and a Freshman at New York University, was born of this marriage. DORIS PLENN's father is said to be CHANDLER TROUTMAN, formerly of North Carolina and Detroit, Michigan and now believed residing in New York City. One source alleges that DORIS was born in North Carolina of Southern parentage and is believed to have relatives, names unknown, residing in Statesville or Troutman and possibly in Raleigh, North Carolina. Her maiden name was DORIS ELISA TROUTMAN. Another source reports a sister living in North Carolina named SARAH (Mrs. F. HIPPARD), address Box 148, Troutman (Troutmans), North Carolina.

✓ ~~Confidential Informant~~ [redacted], whose identity is known to the Bureau, has made available a conversation which took place on March 23, 1947 between DORIS PLENN and DEWITT ELDRIDGE, an instructor in French, Division of Romance Languages, at George Washington University. ELDRIDGE is known to be a supporter of Communist policy and is a friend of DORIS and ABEL PLENN. The conversation concerned a discussion of President TRUMAN's recent order instructing that subversives in the government be removed. After bitterly denouncing the President's order, DORIS said to ELDRIDGE, "Did you know that I've got cousins whom I never see employed here—in the FBI for instance—in the Department of Agriculture—(Department of ?) State .....Raleigh. I never see them but their fathers and mothers, my uncles and aunts, I am sure would feel very upset that their loyalty could be questioned. They are not going to like this—and that's true of every little town and country throughout the United States." (S) u b2 b7D

✓ In view of DORIS PLENN's statement that she has "cousins in the FBI", the foregoing information is being furnished to the Bureau. It is requested that the Bureau furnish the Washington Field Division with all available information in its files concerning DORIS E. PLENN, DORIS ELISA TROUTMAN BASSHE, nee DORIS ELISA TROUTMAN. (S) u

The Charlotte Field Division is requested to check its indices for available information and to conduct discreet investigation in an effort to develop background information concerning DORIS PLENN and her family. No additional background information is available to supplement the information contained in this letter.

Very truly yours,

*Gray Hottel*  
GRAY HOTTEL  
SAC

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cc Charlotte

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DIRECTOR

GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R. MARY JANE KEENEY STILL PATIENT CARFIELD HOSPITAL

*cc - Col. Williams  
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INFORMANT HAS ADVISED GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, FAR EASTERN COMMAND, ADVISED PHILIP KEENEY BY LETTER APRIL TWENTYFOUR THAT HE WAS BEING SEPARATED FROM SERVICE AND ORDERED TO RETURN TO POINT OF ORIGINAL EMPLOYMENT AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE. INFORMANT FURTHER ADVISED ON SAME DATE ROGER BALDWIN, CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION, ADDRESSED LETTER FROM TOKYO TO CLIFFORD FORSTER, ACTING DIRECTOR, NYC, ADVISING OF KEENEY CASE AND SUGGESTING THIS WOULD BE EXCELLENT CASE TO TEST PRINCIPLE OF PROCEDURE AFFECTING PERSONNEL IN OCCUPIED AREAS. ON THIS DATE URSULA WASSERMAN VISITED MARY JANE KEENEY'S APARTMENT AND SUBSEQUENTLY ADVISED HOSPITAL TO INFORM MARY JANE SHE HAD CABLE FROM ANGUS KEENEY WHICH WOULD PLEASE HER VERY MUCH. IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS OBSCURE.

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[IN NYC ADVISED WIFE HE WAS AT ~~FELTUSES~~, FURTHER THAT FELTUSES MAY VISIT WASHINGTON THIS WEEKEND. MILLER INDICATED HE HAD DONE EVERYTHING HE PLANNED BUT FELTUS WAS HAVING PARTY FOR SOME PRESS PEOPLE NIGHT MAY ONE. MILLER STATED HE WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE LUNCH WITH ~~HARRY~~ (LEVY ?) TOMORROW AND MENTIONED FLO (LEVY) SHOULD BE HOME BY NOW. ~~JENNY~~ TOLD MILLER "HAVE A NICE CHAT BUT DON'T TELL HIM ANYTHING." ON MAY TWO MILLER AGAIN CONVERSED WITH ~~JENNY~~ INDICATING HE WOULD ARRIVE WASHINGTON BY TRAIN FOUR P.M. TODAY. ON MAY ONE ALIX ~~REUTHER~~ CONTACTED HELEN ~~SILVERMASTER~~ TO ADVISE OF MARY JANE KEENEY'S ILLNESS AND HOSPITALIZATION. MENTION WAS MADE THAT MARY JANE VISITED HELEN LAST FRIDAY.

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THIRTY MARY WHEELER INDICATED TO PEGGY HOBBS, WIFE OF MAL HOBBS, THAT THE  
WHEELERS PLAN TO LEAVE WASHINGTON ABOUT MIDDLE OF JUNE.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO Mr. D. M. Ladd

FROM J. C. Strickland

SUBJECT GREGORY  
ESPIONAGE - R  
(Nathan Gregory Silvermaster)

DATE: May 9, 1947

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Carson	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Mumford	
Mr. Jones	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Tele. Room	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	

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There is attached hereto a clipping from the "Washington Evening Star" dated May 3, 1947, which is a photograph of the home of the Silvermasters at 5515 30th Street, N.W. that has been advertised for sale. Your particular attention is invited to a statement describing the house which states that the basement contains among other things an "excellent photographic room."

Action: The above is furnished for your information.

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**CHEVY CHASE, D. C.**  
Vicinity New St. Johns College



**5515 30th Street N.W.**

The interior of this fine brick home must be seen to be appreciated. Custom-built nine years ago. Contains nine rooms and three baths including den on first floor and four sleeping rooms and two baths on second floor. Completely finished and heated third floor. Basement contains maid's room and bath, excellent photographic room, workshop, gas hot-water heat. Detached garage. Slate roof, copper tubing, storm sash. Beautiful lot 135-foot deep with highly productive vegetable and fruit gardens.

**Priced for Quick Sale**  
**OPEN SUNDAY, 1-6**

Directions: Out Conn. Ave. to Nebraska Ave.; right on Nebraska Ave. to Military Rd.; right to 30th Street; left to home.

**Frank S. Phillips**  
Realtor  
927 15th Street N.W. **DL 7411**

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R. /DAVID WAHL/. RE TELEPHONE CONCERSATION

SA A. J. TUOHY THIS OFFICE AND SA W. C. RYAN, WASHINGTON FIELD,  
MAY NINE FORTYSEVEN. WAHL OBSERVED MEETING GIRL IN LOBBY HOTEL

NEW YORKER AT EIGHT THIRTYFIVE PM MAY NINE FORTYSEVEN AT WHICH  
TIME HE EMBRACED HER AMOROUSLY. BOTH DEPARTED IN TAXICAB FOR

HOTEL VICTORIA, FIFTY FIRST ST., AND SEVENTH AVE., AND ENROUTE AMOROUS  
PETTING AND EMBRACING OBSERVED. GIRL REGISTERED FOR FRIDAY AND

SATURDAY IN SINGLE ROOM ONE SIX TWO FOUR HOTEL VICTORIA, UNDER  
NAME E. M. SHALET, ONE NINE ONE SIX R STREET NW, WASHINGTON DC,

HAVING HAD RESERVATION UNDER THAT NAME. WAHL DID NOT IMMEDIATELY  
ACCOMPANY HER TO ROOM, BUT LEFT HER OUTSIDE HOTEL AND TOOK TAXICAB

TO EIGHTY SIXTH ST., AND CENTRAL PARK WEST WHERE HE ENTERED  
CHRYSLER CAR, MARYLAND LICENSE FOUR TWO EIGHT - EIGHT NINE

SEVEN AND DROVE TO FOUR SIX SEVEN CENTRAL PARK WEST HOME OF  
MAX LOWENTHAL. THERE HE PARKED CAR AND RETURNED TO AND

WAS OBSERVED ENTERING HOTEL VICTORIA, INQUIRING FOR MISS  
SHALET'S ROOM AND ENTERING SIXTEENTH FLOOR AT NINE THIRTY

SURVEILLANCE DISCONTINUED APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR FIFTEEN MINUTES LATER.

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R. ON MAY EIGHT KATHLEEN LEVIN STAYING KEENEY APART-  
MENT MADE LUNCHEON ENGAGEMENT WITH GERTI LANDAUER, STATE DEPARTMENT. ALSO  
ARRANGED MEETING WITH MRS. LILLIAN ROBBINS PHILLIPS AT MARY JANE'S.  
HOWEVER, SUBSEQUENTLY MRS. PHILLIPS CONTACTED KATHLEEN SUGGESTING IN VIEW OF  
THINGS SHE DID NOT DEEM IT WISE TO VISIT MARY JANE'S APARTMENT WITH WHICH  
KATHLEEN AGREED AND THEY ARRANGED TO MEET IN FRONT KANN'S DEPARTMENT STORE.  
KATHLEEN ALSO MADE BREAKFAST ENGAGEMENT WITH MRS. GOTREAU (PHONETIC),  
COMMERCE DEPARTMENT.

ON MAY EIGHT LUCY FLATO CONTACTED JENNY  
MILLER MENTIONING LUKE WILSON HAS STARTED OFFICE HERE FOR ONE OF THE ORGANI-  
ZATIONS WHICH THEY HAD ATTENDED MEETING AND HE NEEDS SOME SUPER TALENT.  
LUCY SUGGESTED JENNY ASSIST AS THEY WOULD REQUIRE EXPERIENCED PEOPLE.  
JENNY AGREED TO DISCUSS IT WHEN THEY RECORDED.

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HE WAS UNAVAILABLE AND WAITING TO DASH OVER TO SEE SECRETARY SNIDER.

THIS IS POSSIBLY EXPLANATION FOR ABOVE AS LOCHER IS EMPLOYED BY TREASURY

DEPARTMENT. INFORMANT ADVISED WHITES ARE MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO OBTAIN

NEW YORK APARTMENT AT THIS TIME AND ANNE HANCOCK INDICATED SHE WOULD MAKE

DEPOSIT ON APARTMENT LOCATED ABOUT ONE MILE FROM HER. JH u

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TITLE <b>GREGORY</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Information regarding **LESLIE KISH** as secured at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan set out.

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**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent **MAHLON F. COLLIER**, Detroit, April 19, 1947.

Washington Field Office letter, March 19, 1947.

**DETAILS:**

At Ann Arbor, Michigan:

**CASPER H. KAST:**

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent **CASPER H. KAST**.

Mr. **RENSIS LIKERT**, Director of the Survey Research Center, University of Michigan, advised that **LESLIE KISH** is a member of the professional staff of the Survey Research Center. At the time of Agent **KAST**'s inquiry Mr. **KISH** was living at the Michigan Union. **LIKERT** advised he, **LIKERT**, was formerly with the Department of Agriculture of the United States Government and that he came from that Department to the Survey Research Center of the University of Michigan. **LIKERT** brought with him several members who had worked with him in the Department of Agriculture, one of them being **LESLIE KISH**.

It was stated by **LIKERT** that the purpose of the Survey Research Center is to provide a well trained staff for conducting surveys on economic and social problems, to provide graduate training in all phases of survey, methodology, to conduct methodological research to improve

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and develop survey procedures, to help integrate the social services by providing facilities on research on interdisciplinary problems, to focus basic theological advances on the social sciences based on new data from interdisciplinary research. LIKERT stated that the survey research center is a self-supporting organization, that it contracts with numerous people to conduct social, economic and other types of surveys. The surveys are made and the results furnished the contractor. LIKERT stated that several surveys had been made for the United States Government.

The payroll section of the University of Michigan revealed that LESLIE KISH is receiving a salary of \$4,500 under the title of Senior Sampling Statistician.

In the Michigan Union it was ascertained that LESLIE KISH and his wife were spending the Easter vacation week at the Michigan Union. From the rental office of Willow Lodge it was ascertained that LESLIE KISH is a veteran, that he lives at West Lodge in building 18, room 17, which are bachelor quarters, and that his wife's name is RHEA KISH, whose address was given as 39 West 94th Street, New York City. The rental office advised that KISH normally lives at West Lodge alone.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI  
 FROM : SAC, New York  
 SUBJECT: GREGORY  
 ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: April 22, 1947

For your information, it is desired to advise that on April 18, 1947, Confidential Informant GREGORY terminated her work with the Ameritex Industrial Export Corp., 37 Wall Street, New York City. As you have been previously informed, GREGORY secured a position with this firm the preceding week, but she was advised on April 18, 1947, that contemplated export business of the concern had not materialized and that the limited capital available to the company had been virtually exhausted, necessitating the dismissal of most employees. Accordingly, GREGORY is again attempting to locate a position in the import-export field, and you will be promptly advised of any change in her employment status.

For your further information, it is desired to report that on April 21, 1947, GREGORY advised that on that date she had conferred with attorney JOHN B. GRIFFIN, 60 East 42nd Street, New York City, relative to her pending litigation against JOHN H. REYNOLDS and the U. S. Service and Shipping Corp. It will be recalled that when Mr. T. J. Donegan's withdrawal from representation of GREGORY became imperative, he suggested that Mr. GRIFFIN, a law school classmate of his, would be a fully capable and discreet person to represent GREGORY in her action, and his recommendation was made known to the Bureau telephonically by ASAC A. H. Belmont on April 17, 1947. GREGORY is very well impressed by Mr. GRIFFIN, who informed her he would be glad to handle the matter and would seek to have the issue advanced on the Court calendar so that it might be brought to a conclusion within two or three months. He informed her that he would charge a 25% contingent fee, and this arrangement seemed satisfactory to her. Further developments will be brought to your attention as they occur.

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R. ON MAY FIVE MARY JANE KEENEY ADVISED HELEN SILVER-  
MASTER SHE LEFT HOSPITAL THAT AFTERNOON AND WOULD STAY WITH ALIX REUTHER  
FEW DAYS. MARY JANE EXPRESSED REGRET SOMEONE ELSE WAS PRESENT WHEN HELEN  
VISITED HER "SO I COULD NOT TALK TO YOU." SAME DATE MARY JANE CONTACTED  
ERNA ROSENBERG WHO STATED SHE HAD HEARD NEWS ABOUT ANGUS. MARY JANE STATED  
ANGUS SHOULD BE IN WASHINGTON ABOUT 21ST OR 22ND BUT SHE HAD RECEIVED NO  
FURTHER DETAILS.

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ON MAY FIVE MELVA LISCHINSKY TOLD BEADIE  
MAGDOFF SOL LISCHINSKY MAY BE HOME BY MAY NINE AT EARLIEST. AT FIVE FIVE  
P.M. ON MAY FIVE BERNARD NORTMAN INFORMED WIFE HE HAD BEEN CALLED DOWN  
THE DEPARTMENT PEOPLE AND WOULD TELL HER ABOUT IT WHEN HE ARRIVED HOME.  
DOROTHY INQUIRED IF IT WAS ABOUT THAT THING AND ASKED IF BERNIE WOULD  
HAVE TO CHANGE JOBS TO WHICH HE MADE NO ANSWER. PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE  
EVENING MAY FIVE DISCLOSED NORTMAN OBTAINED SITTER AND HE AND WIFE MADE

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SEVERAL VISITS IN THEIR CAR DRIVING IN MANNER OBVIOUSLY DESIGNED TO UNCOVER  
A SURVEILLANCE OR TO SHAKE ONE. ON MAY FIVE LEONARD RENNIE, STATE DEPART-  
MENT, CONTACTED DORIS FLENN ADVISING THEY WERE ALL IN A STATE OF MORALE.  
RENNIE STATED HE WAS COMING TO SERIOUS CONCLUSION THERE IS A RATHER COHERENT  
MOVEMENT AFOOT TO KEEP OUT OF GOVERNMENT PEOPLE OR OPERATIONS WHICH ARE  
CLARIFYING AND REVEALING. RENNIE STATED HE FEELS THAT GUYS WHO CAN MAKE A  
STATEMENT CLEARLY AND CONCISELY SO THAT EVERYBODY UNDERSTANDS IT ARE NOT  
WANTED AND HE DOES NOT THINK IT INVOLVES PEOPLE FROM ANY ONE STATE BUT IS  
JUST A STATE OF MIND. HE INDICATED THEY WERE DOING THEIR BEST AND WERE  
TRYING TO DRAW LINE BETWEEN BECOMING UNPOPULAR AND STILL KEEPING STRONG  
PRESUMABLY REFERRING TO HIS UNIT IN STATE DEPARTMENT. ON MAY FIVE ALLAN  
ROSENBERG ARRIVED FROM NEW YORK ABOUT 2:25 P.M. INDICATING CHARLIE FLATO  
WAS WITH HIM HAVING MET HIM ON TRAIN. ON MAY FIVE GEORGE SILVERMAN INDICATED  
TO WIFE HE WOULD BE IN WASHINGTON THIS WEEKEND. ] u

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The Attorney General

May 14, 1947

Director, FBI

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Reference is made to my letter to you dated April 25, 1947, which enclosed the results of interviews had with some of the subjects in this case, and which requested your advice concerning additional action to be taken by this Bureau and particularly, if you desire any additional interviews.

An early reply will be appreciated in order that this case may be brought to a logical conclusion.

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MAY SIX BEADIE MAGDOFF TOLD ELSIE DENNISON THAT IF HARRY AGREED THEY WOULD  
SUBLEASE THEIR APARTMENT TO GEORGE AND HELEN YASSIE (PHONETIC). LATER  
BEADIE TOLD HELEN YASSIE THEY COULD HAVE THE APARTMENT INDICATING SHE WOULD  
BREAK PREVIOUS COMMITMENTS MADE. ON MAY SIX VAC (VICTOR M.) LONGSTREET,  
DIVISION INVESTMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, STATE DEPARTMENT, CONTACTED  
NORTMAN TO INQUIRE HOW THINGS CAME OUT YESTERDAY AFTERNOON. NORTMAN  
STATED HE WAS GRILLED ABOUT TWO HOURS AND THEY WANT HIM BACK AGAIN TO  
SUBMIT ALL KINDS OF INFORMATION. LONGSTREET INQUIRED WHETHER IT LOOKED  
TOO BAD AND NORTMAN THOUGHT NOT. NORTMAN INDICATED THE PERSONS QUESTIONING  
HIM WERE NICER, FRIENDLIER, AND SMARTER THAN THE OTHER BOYS (BUREAU AGENTS).  
SAME DATE NORTMAN CONTACTED WIFE WHO INQUIRED IF HE WAS UP THERE THIS  
MORNING AND NORTMAN STATED HE WOULD NOT HAVE TO GO FOR A FEW DAYS AND HAD  
TO PREPARE A FEW THINGS FOR THEM IN THE MEANTIME. ON MAY SIX DORIS PLENN  
EXPECTED ABEL PLENN TO RETURN FROM HIS LENGTHY VISIT IN NEW YORK. HOWEVER  
PLENN WIRED DORIS IT WAS IMPORTANT TO REMAIN ONE OR TWO DAYS LONGER. ON  
MAY SIX EDIE (EDITH) SALANT INFORMED ERNA ROSENBERG SHE KNEW OF HOUSE AT

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TWELVE ELEVEN LAWRENCE STREET, N. E., WHICH ROSENBERGS MIGHT RENT. SHE EXPLAINED IT BELONGED TO NEGRO WOMAN WHOSE HUSBAND DIED SHORT TIME AGO BUT WAS COMPLICATED BY THE FACT THE WOMAN WANTED TO RETAIN ROOM. ERNA THOUGHT THIS PRESENTED COMPLICATIONS ALTHOUGH SHE DISCLAIMED ANY PREJUDICE. ERNA INQUIRED "IS THIS PERSON A CONTEMPORARY OF OURS?" TO WHICH EDITH ANSWERED, "AH, YES, EXACTLY SO." EDITH MENTIONED THE WOMAN HAD BEEN OFFERED JOB AT UN AND MAY LEAVE TO ACCEPT THIS POSITION. PHONE BOOK REFLECTS EARL W. BROWN AND MRS. LA COUNTESS W. BROWN FOR ABOVE ADDRESS. ON MAY SIX ELLA SHALLIT CONTACTED MR. CLARK, OFFICE OF HAROLD ICKES, TO INQUIRE ABOUT THE ARTICLE. CLARK STATED NEWS WAS BAD AS ICKES DID NOT GET IT AND DID NOT KNOW WHEN HE WOULD. THEY AGREED THIS MEANT DELAY OF TWO OR THREE WEEKS.

THEREAFTER ELLA SENT WIRE TO MISS SYLVIA GILMAN, AJC, ADVISING NO ACTION ON ICKES ARTICLE EXPECTED FOR TWO OR THREE WEEKS. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ON MAY SIX ANNE WHITE MENTIONED SHE AND HARRY ARE GOING AWAY WEEK FROM THURSDAY FOR THE SUMMER. ANNE STATED SHE WOULD RETURN LATE SEPTEMBER OR OCTOBER ALTHOUGH HARRY WOULD BE BACK SOONER. [REDACTED] b/

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OTTO NATHAN DISCUSSED THIS MATTER AT SOME LENGTH. NATHAN COMMENTED  
PEOPLE IN WASHINGTON BEING NON COMMITTAL AND NO LONGER DARING TO TALK  
WHICH HE REFERRED TO AS "A VERY FUNNY BUSINESS." MAGDOFF STATED "IT IS"

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*g* IT'S SERIOUS." INFORMANT ADVISED GIBBY NEEDLEMAN WAS IN WASHINGTON MAY THREE AND ARRANGED TO DEPART VIA AMERICAN AIRLINES ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ ON MAY

*Robert* THREE MILLER RENTED CAR FOR USE OF RANDY FELTUSES TO DRIVE TO VIRGINIA BEACH. ON MAY THREE ANNA MONAT CONVERSED WITH MILLERS AT LENGTH DISCUSSING PARTY AT POLISH EMBASSY AND ATTENDING MUSICIANS WHO ARE FRIENDS OF ANNA.

ANNA MENTIONED SHE RECENTLY HAD LUNCH WITH DR. (JOSEPH) GILLMAN WHO DISCUSSED HIS BUSINESS RELATIONS WITH MILLER. ON MAY FOUR ERNA ROSENBERG INDICATED TO EMILY SHAFERMAN ALLAN WAS GOING TO NEW YORK AT MIDNIGHT AND WOULD RETURN FOLLOWING NIGHT. SHE SUPPOSED IT WAS ON THE CARB MARZANI THING. SUBSEQUENTLY ON NIGHT MAY FOUR ANNE CERTLER INDICATED TO ERNA THEY WERE DOWNTOWN AND PLANNING TO DRIVE TO NEW YORK AND SHE WOULD CONTACT ALLAN AT THE OFFICE TO SEE IF HE WANTED TO ACCOMPANY THEM.] ON MAY THREE SONIA

*Patricia Bergman* PRESSMAN INVITED SILVERMASTERS TO THEIR HOME AT EIGHT P.M. ON MAY THREE SAM LISS CONTACTED SILVERMASTER WHO TOLD LISS OF SOME BOOKS ON ECONOMICS AND STATISTICS AS WELL AS BOOKS OF MERCA EVANS WHICH LISS COULD HAVE. SILVERMASTER MENTIONED THEY HAD NOT YET SOLD THEIR HOUSE. GREG ALSO STATED HE UNDERSTANDS JOE HAS BEEN TRANSFERRED TO NYC. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

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United States Department of Justice  
New York, N. Y.

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Re: GREGORY  
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HELEN B. TENNEY

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Dear Sir:

Please refer to previous communications from this office concerning the fact that HELEN TENNEY was admitted to the Payne Whitney Clinic of the New York Hospital, 525 East 68th Street, New York City, this past Fall, and that Confidential Informant GREGORY would make arrangements to see TENNEY after it was felt that such a visit could be safely held.

[REDACTED] GREGORY was informed that it was felt advisable for her, through IRMA NELSON, to attempt to see TENNEY, and accordingly she was able to arrange a meeting with her at 6:30 p.m. on February 7, 1947.

In accordance with arrangements made via IRMA NELSON, GREGORY met TENNEY at the Hoy-Yuen Chinese Restaurant, 117 West 48th Street, at the above-mentioned time, and spent two hours with her. On February 10, 1947, GREGORY described the meeting to agents, and said that TENNEY seemed very happy to see her and told her in some detail of the difficult period through which she has recently been. TENNEY mentioned that her romance with SCOTT LOCKWOOD had collapsed, that she was in a very nervous state after leaving Government employment and coming to New York, and that the crowning blow was the invalidation of her passport in August, 1946. She indicated to GREGORY that although she was in bad shape during the Summer months, she had thought that if she could take new work with Cue Magazine and go to Europe for a while, she would benefit from the change of environment and different kind of work, but that her calculations were rudely interrupted when, after receiving her passport, she was notified by telegram from the New York office of the State Department that it was defective and that she should appear at their office in Rockefeller Center so that the matter could be discussed. From her description of the events occurring at that time, it appears that this action came shortly after Informant GREGORY'S visit with TENNEY before leaving for her vacation in Maine and when she did appear at the local office of the State Department she was told that her passport was defective because it did not contain a certain hidden mark which would indicate that it was genuine. She was led to believe, on this occasion, according to what she told GREGORY, that this defect had been occasioned merely by oversight on the part of the Department, and that it could be straightened out without difficulty. Two or three days later, however, she received a second telegram from the State Department advising that

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"acting on the advice of the proper Governmental agency, her passport was being cancelled." (The quotes are GREGORY'S as she recalled them from TENNEY'S statement to her.) u

After this action was taken by the State Department, TENNEY felt that her suspicions of the previous few months as to surveillance of the activities of herself and her friends had a basis in fact, and she became very apprehensive as to what further action Governmental authorities might take. Her state of mind became increasingly confused, she began drinking even more than formerly, and finally, in the latter part of August, after an exceptionally severe night of drinking, she took an overdose of sleeping tablets, lost consciousness, and on this occasion was removed to the Presbyterian Hospital, New York City, where she remained several days. Concerning the exact circumstances of her taking this overdose, TENNEY gave two versions, one of them being that the action was accidental on her part and that she thought the pills were vitamin tablets, but on another occasion during her conversation with GREGORY she indicated that she in fact knew what she was doing. Because of these different versions, GREGORY is unable to conclude definitely whether TENNEY'S suicide attempt was deliberate or accidental, but she feels it was the former. u

After staying for a short time at the Presbyterian Hospital, TENNEY was taken by her family to their place on Long Island, and stayed there until about the middle of November, 1946; her condition deteriorated further, however, during her stay on Long Island with the family, she apparently continued to drink excessively, told GREGORY that she became increasingly confused about everything, and finally one morning began screaming to the household that she had been a Russian spy and had stolen the secret of the atomic bomb. When this happened, GRAHAM ERDMAN, son of the late Dr. ERDMAN, who, as previously reported, had maintained MRS. TENNEY for years prior to his death in March, 1946, was called in by Mrs. TENNEY, and immediately arranged to have HELEN taken to the Payne Whitney Clinic, where she has remained until the present time. u

With respect to TENNEY'S hospitalization at the Presbyterian Hospital, GREGORY gained the impression that TENNEY was not treated as a mental patient there and that it was not until her outburst in November that she was regarded as mentally sick. TENNEY also informed GREGORY that the psychiatrists at the Clinic had attempted to draw from her all details of her previous life, but she said several times that she had not told them anything so far as she knew, but that she might have said something immediately after she was admitted when she was still in a hysterical condition. u

With respect to TENNEY'S failure to tell GREGORY in detail of her alleged mutterings and ravings about being a Soviet spy, especially at the hospital, and particularly with reference to her alleged phobia on everything Russian, GREGORY points out that TENNEY might well feel that she could not safely tell GREGORY all these things because of possible consequences on the u



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part of the Russians with whom she had formerly worked. Furthermore, TENNEY presumably has no reason to believe that GREGORY is not still actively identified in espionage work. M

In describing TENNEY'S appearance and physical condition, GREGORY pointed out that her muscular coordination is obviously deficient, that she is still highly nervous, and has lost considerable weight in the past few months. There was not the slightest intimation from TENNEY that she desired to talk to Governmental authorities or anyone else in an effort to make a break with the past and reveal what information she had relating on the past activities of herself and others, and GREGORY did not press her on this matter because of her abnormal condition. The cost of her hospitalization is being defrayed by her mother, who inherited considerable money from Dr. ERDMAN'S estate, and TENNEY declared that the physicians had told her she would be released within ten days or so. At the present time she is allowed out of the Clinic for a few hours at a time, although she still spends every night at the Clinic. M

One item of interest learned by GREGORY concerned TENNEY'S mention of an unknown man whom she met in Washington, presumably in November, 1945, which meeting was arranged through TENNEY'S contact whom she referred to as "the shopper." When GREGORY asked her who "the shopper" was, TENNEY replied she was the woman whom she used to meet in department stores, and that at this meeting with this unknown man she had only a limited conversation with him and had never been able to understand the purpose of her meeting with him. GREGORY was unable discreetly to learn a description of this man, except that he was tall and thin and spoke like an Austrian or Middle-European who had learned to speak English with a British accent. GREGORY could secure no elaboration from TENNEY other than previously reported concerning her meetings with this unknown woman and learned no further details other than those above related concerning TENNEY'S single meeting with this man. M

The clinic staff has told TENNEY that in order fully to rehabilitate herself she should secure some type of work wholly unrelated to any she has previously had, should secure living quarters away from her family, and should try to make a wholly new life for herself. She has reached no conclusions yet as to where she will live or what type of work she will attempt to secure, although she indicated there was a possibility that she might share an apartment with IRMA NELSON. At the conclusion of their dinner engagement, TENNEY indicated to GREGORY she was anxious to see her again in the near future, and asked that GREGORY make arrangements through IRMA NELSON for future meetings. M

GREGORY declared that she is unable to arrive at a definite conclusion as to what TENNEY'S reaction might be if an interview with her were had by this Bureau, but she did reiterate that TENNEY showed no signs of disaffection from her previous Communist and pro-Russian sympathies. TENNEY M



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mentioned in a matter of fact way that she thought the FBI had caused her passport to be validated, but made no further remarks concerning the Bureau. y

Very truly yours,

*Edward Scheidt*  
EDWARD SCHEIDT,  
SAC

cc - Washington Field

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
 FROM : SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD  
 SUBJECT: GREGORY  
 ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: April 29, 1947

RE: RUTH RIFKIN, was  
 Ruth Rivkin, Ruth Reid

Reference is made to Bureau letter, dated March 14, 1947, to the New York Office, with copies to the Washington Field Office, in which the latter office was directed to prepare memoranda for interviewing purposes concerning various subjects in the above mentioned case. The information available in the Washington Field Office concerning RIFKIN is set forth below.

## ALLEGATIONS OF GREGORY

On November 30, 1945, ELIZABETH TERRILL BENTLEY furnished the following information concerning RIFKIN: "Another individual who I knew to be collecting information for GOLOS was RUTH RIVKIN. By way of background RUTH RIVKIN comes from a wealthy Jewish family in New York City and was employed with one of the Jewish relief organizations in New York City. She was a dues paying Communist member and was associated with the Book and Magazine Guild in connection with their Communistic operations. She was a friend of HELEN TENNEY and I recall that HELEN and RUTH attended the same prep school somewhere in New York City. When RUTH first went to Washington she obtained a job with OFFRA which was the predecessor of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration. The OFFRA was disbanded at the time the UNRRA was organized and she continued on with UNRRA. RIVKIN was turning over the information she obtained to HELEN TENNEY at the time HELEN TENNEY arrived in Washington, D.C., and when I would go to Washington, I would pick this material up in the regular course of my collection. I recall that I met RUTH RIVKIN on one or two occasions when I visited Washington, D.C. The material that the RIVKIN woman was producing was not of much importance and consisted chiefly in determining what the policy of the UNRRA was at that time and giving brief digests of what happened at the various conventions of UNRRA that she attended during the course of her official duties. I do recall that a great deal of information was regarding a question of moving the displaced persons in Europe at that time. In December of 1944 when I ceased my operations I indicated either at this time or shortly previous to HELEN that it would probably be a good idea to stop obtaining information from RUTH. At the time I ceased my activity in December of 1944 I do not believe she was actively engaged in furnishing information to any one."

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RE: RUTH RIFKIN, was

BACKGROUND

RUTH RIFKIN was born at Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, on February 1, 1942. Her father was born in Moscow, Russia, and was brought to the United States at the age of five years. He is a naturalized citizen. RIFKIN attended the Coughlin High School in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, from 1926 to 1928, and attended a private preparatory school and business school at Yoming Seminary, Kingston, Pennsylvania, from 1928 to 1931. From 1931 to 1932 she was enrolled at the university extension at Columbia University and from 1936 to 1938 she studied at New York University. RIFKIN entered on duty May 3, 1943, as a clerk-stenographer at the State Department and was transferred to the FEA on September 30, 1943. From FEA she was transferred to the UNRRA as a secretary in the displaced persons division. Since that time she has had the position of administrative assistant in the Office of the Director at the Bureau of Accounts and Finance. On September 16, 1946, she was promoted to administrative assistant in the Office of the Chief of the Bureau of Accounts and Finance at a salary of \$3680 per annum. On November 4, 1946, she was advised of her release from UNRRA due to a reduction in force. On December 5, 1946, she was re-employed by UNRRA on a per diem basis as a liaison employee during the UNRRA sixth council session held at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D.C. Her services were to terminate at the conclusion of the council session. On January 14, 1947, it was determined that RIFKIN is presently employed by the National Lawyers Guild, 902 20th Street, NW, Washington, D.C.

Investigation was originally started in the Washington Field Office concerning RIFKIN as a result of information furnished by Confidential Informant

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(Abraham Brothman)

Reference is made to the New York teletypes to the Bureau dated March 31, 1947 and April 2, 1947.

Pursuant to a request from the New York Field Division, there is attached hereto one photograph of Harold H. Wein for identification purposes.

A photograph of Wein is also being forwarded herewith to the Washington Field Division for the completion of its file.

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DATE: 5/9/47

TO : D. M. LADD *DL*  
 FROM : E. G. Fitch *EGF*  
 SUBJECT: GREGORY;  
 ESPIONAGE - R  
 (John Weber)

Mr. Tolson  
 Mr. E. A. Tamm  
 Mr. Clegg  
 Mr. Coffey  
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 Mr. Ladd  
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 Mr. Rosen  
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 Mr. Gurnea  
 Mr. Hendon  
 Mr. Pennington  
 Mr. Quinn Tamm  
 Tele. Room  
 Mr. Nease  
 Miss Gandy

Reference is made to the memorandum to you from Mr. J. C. Strickland in the above-captioned matter, dated May 3, 1947.

[REDACTED] which is attached hereto was made available to Colonel H. H. Mole of MID by Special Agent S. W. Reynolds of the Liaison Section. Colonel Mole indicated to Mr. Reynolds that he would check into this matter and advise as to its classification.

This matter will be followed with MID and you will be advised as to any information received.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that this memorandum be forwarded to the Internal Security Section.

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**TO MR. DAVID HEAR**

**Carl John Weber**

Date FEB. 19, 1967

As I told you this morning the facts on Slick Goodlin are as follows:

McGraw-Hill have propositioned him for an article, and have had pictures taken of Goodlin in his home. This is to be a human interest angle of the test pilots who fly the X 15. As I told you this morning Slick Goodlin is the only living individual who has ever flown a rocket ship.

Collier Magazine is very interested in doing an article on Goodlin. Jim Marshall who is the West Coast editor said he would do the story, but that it must be cleared through Frederick R. Woolley the Aviation editor for Colliers.

As we discussed this morning, he has a book which he is writing, that can either be ghost written or edited, that is of tremendous value.

If you need any more information I will be glad to give it to you. Goodlin can be reached at the Lexington Hotel in New York at at Bell Air Craft, Niagara Falls.

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by secretary



## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. [redacted]  
 FROM : J. C. Strickland  
 SUBJECT: GREGORY ESPIONAGE - R  
 (John Weber)

DATE: May 3, 1947

John Weber is Co-Editor of the Story Department at William Morris Agency, Incorporated, Beverly Hills, California. He is a relative of Doctor Abraham B. Weinstein, a New York dentist, who is a subject in the Gregory Case. Weber is a known Communist. In his position he is able to read and edit all manuscripts going through the Story Department of the William Morris Agency, Incorporated. One Chalmers "Slick" Goodlin, a test pilot for the experimental airship X-1, is now under contract with the William Morris Agency for the production of a magazine article and a projected book.

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The Los Angeles Office has requested that the Bureau discuss this matter with the War Department and to be advised whether [redacted]

ACTION

It is recommended that [redacted] be made available to the War Department through Liaison in order to determine if it contains any restricted information.

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*Director*

GREGORY, ESP R, HAROLD GLASSER. GLASSER WAS INTERVIEWED FROM TEN TWELVE  
 A. M. TO TWELVE TWENTY FIVE P. M. THIS DATE AT THE WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE.  
 GLASSER DENIES ANY COMPLICITY IN FURNISHING GOVERNMENT INFORMATION TO ANY  
 UNAUTHORIZED PERSON OR BEING INVOLVED IN ANY ESPIONAGE ACTIVITY AT ANY TIME  
 IN HIS LIFE. ADMITS CLOSE FRIENDSHIP WITH ALLAN ROSENBERG AND MORDECAI  
 X EZEKIEL. MET PHIL DUNAWAY, DAVE WAHL, MARY JANE KEENEY, CARL GREEN THROUGH  
 ALLAN ROSENBERG AND HAS ONLY CASUAL ACQUAINTANCE WITH THEM. HE ADVISED  
 THIS IS SECOND TIME HE HAS BEEN ACCUSED OF FURNISHING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION  
 TO UNAUTHORIZED PERSONS. FIRST TIME ACCUSED BY MORGENTHAU IN NINETEEN FORTY  
 FOUR AFTER QUEBEC CONFERENCE OF RELEASING THE MORGENTHAU PLAN TO PRESS.  
 HE DENIES THIS ACCUSATION BUT BELIEVES MORGENTHAU STILL HOLDS IT AGAINST  
 HIM. GLASSER CLAIMS HE IS A NEW DEAL LIBERAL AND EMPHATICALLY DENIES  
 MEMBERSHIP IN COMMUNIST PARTY OR IN BELIEVING IN THAT PHILOSOPHY.

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R. INFORMANT ADVISED EDWARD FITZGERALD RECEIVED OFFER

OF EMPLOYMENT FROM ROBERT HELLER. FITZGERALD HAS BEEN ACTIVE ON HIS  
PRESENT JOB AT LAKE SUCCESS. HE ADVISED UPON HIS RETURN HE HAD BEEN "FISH  
ING AROUND" FOR A JOB DUE TO THE PRESENT ECONOMY DRIVE.

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ELL SCHROCK (PHONETIC) CONTACTED DUNCAN LEE  
AND ADVISED HIM HE IS VISITING HERBERT FIERST. IT IS INDICATED SCHROCK AND  
LEE LAST SAW EACH OTHER ABOUT SIX YEARS AGO. SCHROCK HAS BEEN IN EUROPE  
WITH AMERICAN FIELD SERVICE. HE IS NOW LEAVING FOR WEST COAST ON SEVERAL  
MONTHS' LECTURE TOUR FOR THE UNITED JEWISH APPEAL. HE ASKED TO BE REMEMBERED  
TO ISHBEL LEE AND FURTHER INDICATED HE OFTEN RECALLED THEIR WORK TOGETHER

WITH THE NORTH AMERICAN COMMITTEE TO AID SPAIN. HE REMEMBERED IT IN  
PARTICULAR EACH TIME HE NOTED HOW WE ARE HELPING FRANCO. ON THE SAME DATE  
HARRY MAGDOFF INDICATED HE HAD HIRED HANNAH MCCLAY (PHONETIC) AS HIS SECRE-  
TARY. SHE CAME TO HIM WELL RECOMMENDED BY DAVID CARLINER. ON THE SAME

DATE INFORMANT ADVISED THAT CARL GREEN AND ERNA ROSENBERG AGREED THEY ARE  
READY FOR QUITE A FIGHT ON BEHALF OF MARY JANE AND ANGUS KEENEY UPON THE  
LATTER'S RETURN TO WASHINGTON. THEY INDICATED THE TREND IS APPARENTLY

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\*PORTNOFF, WIFE OF ALEXANDER PORTNOFF, THAT THEY HAVE ALMOST COMPLETED SALE OF THEIR WASHINGTON RESIDENCE AND ARE MAKING ARRANGEMENTS TO LEAVE WASHINGTON IN THE MIDDLE OF THE FOLLOWING WEEK. LUDWIG ULLMANN SUBSTANTIATED THIS INFORMATION HAVING ON THE SAME DATE ADVISED HIS MOTHER THEY HAVE DISPOSED OF THE HOME AND WILL MOVE TO THE OCEAN NEXT WEEK TO COMMENCE THEIR BUILDING PROJECT. INFORMANT ADVISED [REDACTED]

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INFORMANT ADVISED HARRY DEXTER WHITE INFORMED HE IS RENTING AN APARTMENT b1  
AT 334 WEST 86TH STREET, NYC. HOWEVER, THEY WILL SPEND THE SUMMER AFTER  
JUNE ONE AT BLUE BERRY HILL, FITZWILLIAMS DEPOT, NEW HAMPSHIRE. ON LAST  
SATURDAY HARRY WHITE ENTERTAINED AT NORMANDY FARMS FOR A PARTY OF TEN.  
HIS GUESTS WERE FOREIGN OFFICIALS, MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL BANK AND  
MONETARY FUND, INCLUDING THE MEXICAN AMBASSADOR. ] u

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, F.B.I.  
 FROM : SAC GUY HOTTEL, WASHINGTON FIELD.  
 SUBJECT: GREGORY CASE  
 (WILLIAM WALTER REMINGTON)  
 ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: March 31, 1947

*The following serial was reviewed in connection with the Rosenberg Case and remains unclassified.*  
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Reference is made to Bureau letter dated March 14, 1947, to the New York Field Division, with copies to the Washington Field Division, requesting the preparation of background information on subjects in the GREGORY case, to be used in anticipated interviews with subjects. In compliance therewith, the following information was obtained from the files of the Washington Field Division regarding subject WILLIAM WALTER REMINGTON and is submitted as an outline to be used in the anticipated interview with subject. (u)

## BACKGROUND

REMINGTON was born in New York City, October 25, 1917. He attended elementary school in Ridgewood, New Jersey and graduated from the Ridgewood High School in 1934. In June, 1939, REMINGTON received a B.A. degree from Dartmouth in Hanover, New Hampshire; and in June, 1940, received an M.A. degree from Columbia University, New York City. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa fraternity. He married ANNE MOOS in New York City on June 23, 1939 and they have two children; a son, BRUCE, born March 15, 1942, and a daughter, GALEYN, born April 8, 1944. REMINGTON's father is FREDERICK CLEMENT REMINGTON and his mother is LILLIAN SUTHERLAND REMINGTON. They presently reside at 836 East Ridgewood Avenue, Ridgewood, New Jersey. (u)

At the present time, REMINGTON is not living with his wife, ANNE, and he maintains a room at the residence of ROBERT C. MOSES at 1262 New Hampshire Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C., telephone METropolitan 4070. He is presently employed by O.W.M.R. (Office of War Mobilization and Reconversion), Room 2016, Temporary Building K, telephone EXECutive 4900, extension 5138. (u)

The following is a list of REMINGTON's employment since 1936:

From September, 1936 to April, 1937

Tennessee Valley Authority  
 Knoxville, Tennessee

From April, 1937 to August, 1937

Workers Education Committee  
 Knoxville, Tennessee

From May, 1940 to June, 1941

Assistant to the Assistant  
 Director  
 National Resources Planning  
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From July, 1941 to January, 1942

Associate Economist, G.P.A.

From February, 1942 to May, 1943

Planning Committee  
War Production Board

From May, 1943 to April, 1944

War Production Board under  
THOMAS C. BLAISDELL, Director  
of the Orders and Regulation  
Bureau

April, 1944 to January, 1945

Attended Navy School, Boulder,  
Colorado, obtaining instruc-  
tions in Russian and Naval  
Orientation; and commissioned  
an Ensign in U.S.N. September  
3, 1944

February, 1945 to June, 1945

On duty with the Navy in Wash-  
ington, D. C., with duties  
consisting of translating  
technical material from Rus-  
sian to English

July, 1945 to November, 1945

Assistant to the Minister in  
Charge of the Mission of  
Economic Affairs, American  
Embassy, London, England.  
This Minister was THOMAS C.  
BLAISDELL.

From December, 1945 to the present time

Employed by the Office of War  
Mobilization and Reconversion

REMINGTON's Navy personnel file reflects a statement to the  
effect that he was a member of the following organizations:

~~Knoxville Workers Education Committee~~  
~~Aid to China~~  
~~Sanctions Against Italy~~  
~~American Federation of Government Employees~~  
~~American Youth Congress~~  
~~Cooperative Book Shop~~  
~~American Peace Mobilization~~

As the result of an investigation conducted on subject REMINGTON,  
when he was an applicant for the Office of Emergency Management, the  
following information was obtained from an interview with HENRY HART,  
Administrative Assistant in the T.V.A. (u)

Mr. HART advised that he was REMINGTON's immediate supervisor  
when REMINGTON was employed by the T.V.A., Knoxville, Tennessee, and (u)



and that REMINGTON resigned his position with T.V.A. to devote his full time to a labor movement which had been originated during the first part of 1937, being a group of young men associated with T.V.A. HART further advised that this particular movement, which was known as the Workers Education Committee, was formed to afford members of local trade and labor unions and their families an opportunity to study economics, etc., and to further promote the ideas of consumer cooperation in the lower income groups; that the program, as proposed by the Committee, was endorsed by a number of unions affiliated with both the A.F. of L. and C.I.O. Mr. HART added that because of the lack of funds and dissension among the members of the organization as to policies of instruction, the program and the Committee, after a short time, ceased to exist and that no records are available as to its ideas or activities. (u)

Deputy Sheriffs REIMENI and O'CONNOR of Knoxville, Tennessee, gave the following information regarding REMINGTON. (u)

From the period June, 1937 to August, 1937, one MERWIN TODD, who was the head organizer of the C.I.O., engaged an apartment at 933 Broadway, Knoxville, Tennessee, which was also used by WILLIAM REMINGTON, HORACE BRYAN and WILLIAM MARLOW as a residence and that TODD rented Post Office Box No. 1692 in conjunction with PAUL SROUCH, State Secretary of the Communist Party; that on May 26, 1937, TODD, BRYAN, REMINGTON and MARLOW moved to 1310 Oak Avenue, Knoxville, Tennessee, in company with HENRY HART and that HART, in a subsequent interview, conducted by a Congressional Committee, admitted he was a member of the Communist Party at that time. (u)

The following information was submitted by Mrs. E. E. WILLIAMS, a neighbor of REMINGTON's, 5188 Fulton Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. She advised that REMINGTON and his wife, ANNE, were "big shots" in the American Peace Mobilization in 1940 and that she had heard them make many calls summoning people to attend the American Peace Mobilization meetings and that both were very close to the American Peace Mobilization headquarters in Chicago. (u)

ANNE REMINGTON, wife of subject, was Executive Secretary of the Washington Chapter of the American Peace Mobilization, now known as the American People's Mobilization. Her name appeared on the active indices of the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties. She is alleged to have attended the National Assembly of the American Youth Congress held in Washington, D. C., on November 1 to 3, 1940 and she is known to have solicited funds for the housing of the American Youth Congress delegates during their conference in Washington, D. C., February 7 to 9, 1941. Her name appears as a life member in the Washington Bookshop list, dated (u)

February 18, 1944. An article which appeared in the SUNDAY STAR, February 24, 1946, listed ANNE REMINGTON as being Chairman of the Fairfax County League of Women Voters. (u)

The name of WILLIAM REMINGTON is listed as a Communist associate of DAVID LIVINGSTON MARTIN, alias David Stone Martin, subject of an Internal Security investigation in Knoxville, Tennessee. Also listed are the names of HORACE BRYAN, WILLIAM MARLOW and PAUL CROUCH. (u)

The following information was submitted by informant GREGORY on November 30, 1945. (u)

GREGORY stated that REMINGTON was introduced to JACOB M. GOLOS, alias T.M., Russian Espionage Agent, who died in November, 1943, by JOE NORTH, who is a member of the Board of Editors of the magazine "NEW MASSES", some time in 1942. GREGORY stated that she has never seen JOE NORTH. She added that she was formally introduced to REMINGTON and his wife, ANNE, at a dinner in New York City and thereafter contacted REMINGTON on her trips to Washington during the period from 1942 to 1944. GREGORY stated that REMINGTON supplied information such as charts setting out airplane production and other matters concerning the aircraft industry, that would in the course of regular business, come through his hands as an employee of the War Production Board. REMINGTON would also give GREGORY scraps of paper upon which he had scribbled information concerning tests made of airplanes and other data concerning high octane gasoline and information wholly related to aircraft production. This information is believed by GREGORY to have been copied from official reports and other information that came in to REMINGTON's possession through official channels. (u)

REMINGTON also furnished information to GREGORY that came into his possession from his conversations with government officials and other individuals whom he would see in the normal course of his official duties. GREGORY recalls specifically that REMINGTON told her about a new process that had been developed for the manufacture of scientific rubber. GREGORY added that REMINGTON was a dues paying Communist member and that on her visits to him in Washington, she would attempt to obtain his regular dues. She added that she would usually meet REMINGTON at a restaurant located at Constitution Avenue, near 5th Street, and would also meet him at the Mellon Art Gallery and other places in that vicinity. She stated that she never had contacted him at his home or at his office. (u)

In the Spring of 1943, REMINGTON advised GREGORY that BERNARD S. REDMONT, who is employed in the Press Division of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs, might be an individual whom she would be desirous of contacting. GREGORY stated that on her return to New York (u)

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after this visit, she told GOLOS of REDMONT's possibilities and he instructed that REMINGTON solicit REDMONT's assistance. GREGORY added that REMINGTON was apparently successful because GOLOS informed her that REDMONT was coming to New York and that they were to meet in the New York Public Library, on Fifth Avenue and Forty Second Street. GREGORY accompanied GOLOS on this occasion, at which time GOLOS told REDMONT that he wanted any information that came into his possession and that said information would be given to EARL BROWDER. GREGORY stated that REDMONT did subsequently furnish information to her. (u)

#### PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE

On February 2, 1946, subject and his wife visited the home of ROBERT S. LEHMAN, 8436 Manchester Road, Piney Branch Apartments, Silver Spring, Maryland. (u)

On February 22, 1946, REMINGTON gave a party at his home and the following people were observed:

BERNARD and JOANNE REDMONT  
ROBERT KLEIMAN  
WARD ALLEN  
PEGGY O'NEAL (u)

On May 6, 1946, REMINGTON and his wife and JAMES W. LEWIS, visited the home of HENRY HOLDSHIP WARE, 1024 North Montana Street, Arlington, Virginia. (Colonel V. MAKISMOVICH was invited to this party; however, it is not known whether he attended.) (u)

On June 28, 1946, ANNE REMINGTON met ELISHA LEHMAN, the wife of ROBERT LEHMAN, for lunch at Jene's Restaurant. (u)

On July 2, 1946, the subject and his wife, ANNE, ROBERT LEHMAN and his wife, ELISHA, attended a party at PAT SHEPHERD's at 1830 K Street, N. W. (u)

On July 19, 1946, REMINGTON and his wife, ANNE, and DURR SMITH, had dinner at Hogate's Sea Food Restaurant. (u)

The following names were among a list of individuals maintained by REMINGTON in his house and were obtained from a highly confidential source:

ALTMAN, OSCAR  
ASHER, ROBERT E.  
COLBY, MERLE E.  
FATH, CREEKNORE  
FITZGERALD, EDWARD  
FRANTZ, JOHN M. (u)

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~~GERTLER, MAYNARD~~  
~~GILBERT, DICK~~  
~~GRAVES, MORTIMER~~  
~~KLEIMAN, ROBERT~~  
~~LONG, MORTMAN~~  
~~NEWMAN, JAMES R.~~  
~~NATHAN, ROBERT~~  
~~NEAL, FRED~~  
~~NORTMAN, BERNARD~~  
~~POZER, SOL~~  
~~REDMONT, BERNARD~~  
~~SHEPHERD, JANE~~  
~~SALANT, WALTER~~  
~~SCHIMMEL, HERB~~  
~~SVERDLOW, IRVING~~  
~~TOBIAS, MERVIN~~  
~~DEISS, JAY~~

The following list of people are neighbors and associates of REMINGTON, living in Tauxemont, Virginia. It is to be noted that Tauxemont is a cooperative development, organized along socialist lines and families living there are known to be pro-Russian and members of the Communist front organizations. (u)

MIDGE ALLEN  
WARD ALLEN  
HARRIET AXELRAD  
IRVING AXELRAD  
THOMAS BLAISDELL  
ARTHUR BROWN  
ALFRED E. BROWN  
CONNIE BROWN  
MARGARET BROWN  
DOROTHY and EDWARD FRANCIS CROFT  
ROBERT C. DAVENPORT (ELIZABETH)  
ELEANOR and SIGMUND TIMBER  
CORA and JACOB FISHER  
JANE and PHILIP HAMMER  
NEWTON HOLBROOK  
JULIA HOLBROOK  
JOHN S. MAGNUSSON  
MARGARET MAGNUSSON  
M. E. ODEROFF  
MINNIE ODEROFF  
IRVING and GERTRUDE SWERDLOW  
HOLLIS PETER  
JANE WILLEMEYERS

The following list of names are known associates of subject (u)

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REMINGTON and his wife, ANNE:

THOMAS C. ELAISDELL  
SIGMUND TIMBERG  
ELEANOR TIMBERG  
MARGARET FISHER  
LUCY STONE  
VIRGINIA DURR  
CLIFF DURR  
MERWIN TOBIAS  
SOLYOZER  
HENRY WARE  
ROBERT LEHMAN  
JESSIE SCHWARTZ  
BERT FOX  
ROBERT LEHMAN  
ELISHA LEHMAN  
JOE LOFTUS  
ROBERT ELEIMAN

(u)

The following information was obtained through Confidential Informant [REDACTED] (u) b2 b7D

ANNE REMINGTON contacted the Soviet Embassy and reported that a party was to be given for allied relief and Russia was sharing the receipts. She inquired if there were any Russian relief organizations in Washington, D. C. and was instructed by the Embassy to send money to the Russian Embassy or if the relief was in some other form, to send it to the Russian War Relief in New York City. (u)

On December 10, 1945, ANNE REMINGTON conversed with JOANNE REDMONT, the wife of BERNARD REDMONT, subject in instant case. REDMONT is a very good friend of HELEN SCOTT's, known Communist and a contact of NICOLAI SKIAGIN and MARIA FILINA, suspected Russian espionage agents. (u) (SKRIAGIN)

On February 1, 1946, BELLA RODMAN contacted ANNE REMINGTON and asked if she and BILL REMINGTON would be interested in attending a testimonial dinner at the Mayflower Hotel for Mrs. BORDEN HARRIMAN, sponsored by the American Society for Russian Relief, at \$6.00 per plate. ANNE advised that she doubted she would be able to attend because of the high price. (u)

On March 15, 1946, JOANNE REDMONT invited REMINGTONs to her home on March 22, 1946. The invitation was accepted by ANNE REMINGTON. (u)

On August 5, 1946, ANNE REMINGTON called several people on the telephone, introducing herself as a representative of the League of Women Voters and urged the people to go to the polls and vote. (u)

On August 19, 1946, BILL REMINGTON talked to BERNIE NORTMAN (u)

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who is a subject in instant case, and during the conversation REMINGTON asked NORTMAN if he knew where MAYNARD GERTLER was. (GERTLER also is a subject in instant case.) NORTMAN replied that GERTLER was in desperate need of a job and was one of the few who had not been placed. (u)

On August 20, 1946, BILL REMINGTON talked to NERVIN TOBIAS and during the discussion of TOBIAS' case which is before the Civil Service Commission regarding his Communist activities, REMINGTON stated that he, REMINGTON "have been investigated by every agency in town and I just nicked by the skin of my teeth. I think I am alright but I don't know where I stand now." (u)

On January 19, 1947, JOYCE MILLER contacted ANNE REMINGTON and asked if she was a member of the Southern Conference of Human Welfare whereupon ANNE replied that she didn't think so, however, that she had contributed money once. (u)

On January 24, 1947, FRED NEAL contacted ANNE REMINGTON. During the conversation she advised him she was writing a thesis on Russian Trade Unions and he suggested that she obtain a book on Russian labor by MAURICE DOBES. (u)

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Rio de Janeiro, Brazil  
April 30, 1947

SECRET - AIR COURIER

Director, FBI

Re: GREGORY CASE  
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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Sam J. Papich dated July 22, 1946 at Rio, wherein information was set forth regarding RUDOLF REICH.

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Very truly yours,

*Sam J. Papich*  
SAM J. PAPICH  
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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI  
FROM : SAC, Charlotte  
SUBJECT: GREGORY  
ESPIONAGE -  
DORIS ELISA PLENN  
(Mrs. ABEL ROLF PLENN)  
(Bureau File 65-56402)

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DATE: April 29, 1947

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Mr. Rosen	_____
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Mr. Carson	_____
Mr. Egan	_____
Mr. Gurnea	_____
Mr. Harbo	_____
Mr. Hendon	_____
Mr. Pennington	_____
Mr. Quinn	_____
Mr. Nease	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

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Reference is made to a letter from Washington Division to the Director dated March 25, 1947, regarding the above-captioned subject who allegedly stated to DEWITT ELDRIDGE of George Washington University on March 23, 1947, that she has "cousins in the F. B. I., in the Department of Agriculture - (Department of ?) State - Raleigh, who she never sees but that their fathers and mothers, her uncles and aunts, would feel very upset if their loyalty would be questioned." (S) M [REDACTED]

Investigation in this matter to seek to identify relatives of subject in the Government service reveals that MARGARET LOUISE TROUTMAN, a cousin by marriage to subject, is reportedly presently employed by the Bureau in Washington, D. C. In this regard reference is made to the report of Special Agent DOUGLASS VARDAMAN at Charlotte dated November 11, 1942, reflecting an investigation of MARGARET LOUISE TROUTMAN.

Mr. JOHN L. MILHOLLAND, Postmaster, Statesville, North Carolina, advises that CHALMERS E. TROUTMAN, father of subject, is a brother of E. J. TROUTMAN, Route 3, Statesville, North Carolina. E. J. TROUTMAN has a son, EUGENE, who married MARGARET LOUISE TROUTMAN, daughter of CLIFTON J. TROUTMAN of Statesville. CLIFTON J. TROUTMAN is not closely related to CHALMERS E. TROUTMAN.

According to Mr. MILHOLLAND and other acquaintances of MARGARET LOUISE TROUTMAN at Statesville, she and her family are all of good character and reputation and are loyal American citizens. Her husband, EUGENE, was in the United States Marine Corps, and they reside in Washington, D. C. He and his parents are regarded as persons of good reputation at Statesville.

Mrs. R. F. LOFFIN, Assistant Postmaster, Troutman, North Carolina, said that she is acquainted with the relatives of the subject on her father's side having been born and reared in this vicinity herself. Subject's

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Mrs. Troutman interviewed by Mr. [REDACTED]  
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April 29, 1947

father, CHALMERS E. TROUTMAN was married twice and divorced from both wives. By his first wife, he had two children, FRED TROUTMAN, Statesville, and SARAH TROUTMAN (Mrs. FRED LIPPARD), Route 3, Statesville. He also had two children by his second wife, namely, DORIS (the subject) and FRED TROUTMAN, who resides at Kinston, North Carolina, and has three small children. CHALMERS had three brothers, namely, L. J. TROUTMAN, JOHN TROUTMAN, Route 3, Statesville, and Dr. PAUL W. TROUTMAN, dentist, Hickory, North Carolina. He had one sister, Mrs. LYTTEN, deceased. The children of these brothers and the deceased sister are all known to Mrs. LOFFIN, who enumerated each one, and advised that they are either deceased or living in the vicinity and none of them are known to be employed by the United States Government.

Mrs. LOFFIN stated that very little is known by her concerning the brothers and sister of the wives of CHALMERS TROUTMAN; both of whom are now deceased. However, further investigation to identify them is being conducted by the Charlotte Division, and this letter is being submitted at this time in view of the fact that MARGARET LOUISE TROUTMAN is employed by the Bureau.

cc: Washington Field Division (100-17493)

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. LADD  
FROM : J. C. STREET  
SUBJECT: GREGORY  
ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: May 15, 1947

Mr. Tolson  
Mr. E. A. Tamm  
Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Coffey  
Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Ladd  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Tracy  
Mr. Carson  
Mr. Egan  
Mr. Gurnea  
Mr. Hendon  
Mr. Pennington  
Mr. Quinn Tamm  
Tele. Room  
Mr. Nease  
Miss Gandy

There are attached hereto for inclusion in the file certain notes made by Supervisor Floyd Jones during the course of the evening of April 15, 1947, which relate to events leading up to and including the interviews with subjects in the Washington Field Division. These are being made a part of the file for possible future reference.

Attachment

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5:00 pm

Magdoff told wife will stay down here  
schmuck & couple leave with Fitzgerald  
& home later.

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Ladd said bring Fitz into office  
Interview Magdoff at office in 4.0.  
Ryan advised

5:05 pm

Ladd & Briggs downtown together in  
car. Mrs. S. at home.

Ladd said if situation suitable  
invite to office.

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Ryan advised

5:45 pm

Fitz & Magdoff dinner at Willard  
Ladd said invite to office when  
come out of hotel. Ryan advised.

6:15 pm

Sonia went from work to RKO  
Keiths where met by Bela  
entered 5:50 pm. Show won't  
be over until 9:30 pm  
Ladd - interview when get home if not too  
late. Ryan advised.

6:55 pm

6:35 pm 6:55. (Mel Locker  
3100. 29 Oct 57)  
Ullmann & Remington in office  
Paye in S. house - agree interview identity  
as means for "friend".

7:05

7:30 WFO - Agents into Silvermaster res.  
Visitor left.

8:25 pm

Victor Berlo home - being interviewed

7:05 pm

Northman being interviewed at home.

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8:50 Ryan WFO - Fitz & Magdoff out of Federal Hotel. Magdoff unbranded, both waiting on street car. Haven't eaten.  
Ladd said dependent observation may eat somewhere. If go home long to office.

8:50 Ullmann said know Silvermaster group through Silvermasters. Bentley woman psychopathic case.

9:05 Nortman & Pulos interviews completed. Results unknown.

9:05 Magdoff eating at Thompson's on Pa Ave. Fitzgerald at Harrington Hotel washing up.

9:25 pm <sup>Nortman</sup> Interviewed with negative results. Denied C.P. membership

" Silvermaster interviews finished. Pulos " negative

9:20 pm - Golds out of theatre on way home. Will interview.

9:25 pm - Pulos admitted know Art wouldn't admit anything wanted see lawyer.

9:25 pm Greg Sabin <sup>met.</sup> know Pulos - World War knew Bentley by that name.

9:35 - Fitz in F.O. CONFIDENTIAL



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9:55 Mrs Mayhoff in office being interviewed.  
10:55 Goldschlager, being interviewed,  
interview finished.

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The Attorney General

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Director, FBI

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DATE 4-26-83 BY SP5RSC/RLT 3042PWT/AB

Reference is made to previous correspondence in connection with this case in which you were furnished with the results of interviews with a number of subjects.

For your additional information, there is attached hereto a letter from the Washington Field Office to the Bureau dated May 13, 1947, which contains the results of an interview which was conducted with Harold Glasser, a Treasury Department employee and a subject in this case, on April 30 and May 3, 1947. Glasser, you may recall, was in Moscow, Russia, at the time the other subjects were interviewed.

This enclosure is being made available to you in compliance with your request in order to further assist in a decision concerning the final disposition of this case.

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R. ON MAY TWELVE ETHEL BLOOM REQUESTED DOROTHY KAPLAN

TO CALL GROUP OF SOUTHERN CONFERENCE MEMBERS TO REMIND THEM OF MEETING. LIST FURNISHED NOT SET FORTH HEREIN. ON MAY TWELVE KAPLAN CONTACTED MAGDOFF

WHO INVITED KAPLAN TO LUNCH WITH FITZGERALD, MAGDOFF, AND POSSIBLY VET

BASSIE. IN CONVERSATION WITH MAGDOFF, FITZGERALD READ LETTERS HE HAD WRITTEN SETTING FORTH HIS QUALIFICATIONS FOR EMPLOYMENT. FITZGERALD

WROTE TO NEW YORKER MAGAZINE AT SUGGESTION WALTER BERNSTEIN; TO LOWELL INSTITUTE OF COOPERATIVE BROADCASTING COUNSEL AT INSTANCE OF BOB HELLER;

AND TO ONE JERRY. HE ALSO STATED HE HAD TO WRITE LETTERS TO LESLIE AND

STEVE SCOTT. ON NIGHT MAY TWELVE CARL MARZANI CONTACTED ERNA ROSENBERG ADVISING HE WOULD SEE ALLAN NEXT MORNING BEFORE TRIAL. THEY DISCUSSED TRIAL

AND MARZANI EXPLAINED THERE WERE EIGHT NEGROES ON JURY WHICH WOULD EITHER FREE HIM OR HANG HIM. MARZANI EXPLAINED NEITHER GOVERNMENT NOR DEFENSE

COULD ENDEAVOR TO EXCLUDE THE NEGROES. HE INDICATED THEY WERE BUILDING UP CONSIDERABLE SYMPATHY. HE FURTHER ADDED RACE QUESTION WILL ARISE AND

SUCH POWERFUL EMOTION COULD BE VERY GOOD OR FATAL. MARZANI MENTIONED IN ADDITION TO EIGHT NEGROES JURY INCLUDED TWO TRADE UNIONISTS, COUPLE HOUSE-

WIVES, AND UNEMPLOYED PERSON. ON MAY TWELVE HELEN SILVERMASTER INDICATED

TO MARGARET (HATFIELD) SHE WOULD SEND BURNING INDICATIONS ARE

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MARGARET MAY SHARE MOVING VAN WITH SILVERMASTERS. HELEN TOLD WILLIE  
MACAVOY SAME DATE THAT THEY HAD SOLD HOUSE.

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(C) ON MAY TWELVE HARRY WHITE CONTACTED DR. FRANK A. SOUTHARD, ITHACA, NEW YORK, ADVISING THERE IS PROBABILITY HE MAY HEAD MISSION TO ONE OF SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRIES FOR PURPOSE OF ASSISTING COUNTRY STOP INFLATION AND HE WISHED SOUTHARD TO ACCOMPANY HIM. SOUTHARD DECLINED STATING HE HAD ALREADY COMMITTED HIMSELF. WHITE STATED HE WOULD REST FEW MONTHS AFTER LEAVING FUND AND WOULD GO TO SOUTH AMERICA MIDDLE OF JULY. INFORMANT INDICATED PARTY WAS GIVEN FOR WHITE AT WARDMAN PARK HOTEL NIGHT MAY ELEVEN. HIS SECRETARY INVITED LUD ULLMANN MENTIONING COLONEL (BERNARD) BERNSTEIN, JOE FRIEDMAN, (HAROLD) GLASSER, PALEY, AND SCHMIDT WOULD BE PRESENT AMONG OTHERS.

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Tolson  
L. A. Tamm

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD

DATE: May 12, 1947

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SUBJECT: ① GREGORY  
ESPIONAGE - R  
DONALD NIVEN WHEELER

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Reference is made to Bureau letter to New York dated March 14, 1947. This letter is prepared for use in connection with the anticipated interview of subject DONALD NIVEN WHEELER.

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Early in 1944 at EARL BROWDER's instruction, the informant went to the apartment of JOHN ABT in New York City and met VICTOR PERLO, CHARLES KRAMER, HARRY MAGDOFF AND EDWARD FITZGERALD. Mention was made at this meeting of DONALD WHEELER and that because of his position on the Editorial Board of the Research and Analysis Section of OSS he had been able to make contributions of value. u

The informant stated that at this meeting VICTOR PERLO turned over certain information to her and that to the best of her recollection PERLO had produced written material including OSS documents made available by WHEELER. u

With reference to individuals in the PERLO group whom I met at MARY PRICE's apartment and who turned over information to me, I would state that VICTOR PERLO represented the group in meetings with me more often than any other member of the group . . . . . DONALD WHEELER represented the group on one occasion. u

"Generally, WHEELER's information concerned what he obtained through his employment on the Editorial Board of the Research and Analysis Division of OSS which included 'ditto' copies of monthly and semi-monthly reports of OSS as they concerned political developments throughout the world. As I recall, these ditto reports were sometimes marked 'secret' and sometimes marked 'confidential'. They did not have any marginal notations as to what divisions of the OSS these documents were to be routed, nor did they, as far as I can recall, indicate any other government agencies to which these reports were to be directed." u

Accordingly, informant indicated that during the course of her association with the PERLO group DONALD WHEELER furnished considerable information which he obtained through his employment in OSS. u

"Wheeler also furnished typewritten and handwritten excerpts that he obtained from an OSS digest made up of cable reports from the State Department and OSS personnel. Included also were various reports and memoranda prepared by the Foreign Nationalities Branch of the OSS. This material related to particular racial groups and their activities within the United States. u

"By way of background, I recall from conversations I have had with members of the PERLO group some information concerning their past history . . . . . DONALD WHEELER, native born, is a graduate of Yale University and subsequently studied at Cambridge or Oxford and specialized in economics. It is my opinion that he did not have much employment before coming to Washington, D. C. Here he was associated with the Board of Editors with the Research and Analysis Division of OSS. u

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"He was a classmate of DUNCAN LEE's. He is also a Communist Party member." u

The informant remarked she met WHEELER for the first time in the summer of 1944 in New York City. WHEELER had been attending in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania a meeting of the United Office and Professional Workers of America and he came up to New York from there. She had, of course, known of him previously, inasmuch as PERLO and others in that group had furnished information to her that WHEELER had secured. u

Informant recalls that her meeting with WHEELER was occasioned by her Russian contact's, "Bill's" request that she see WHEELER because he apparently had been virtually stripping OSS files and "Bill" apparently had information that WHEELER was under some suspicion by his own agency, namely, OSS. u

He told informant to tell WHEELER to do nothing for six months or so and inasmuch as the informant followed these instructions she had no further meetings with WHEELER. u

Informant stated that in regard to this New York visit by WHEELER when she met him in the summer of 1944 that VICTOR PERLO accompanied WHEELER and they both stayed over night at MARY PRICE's apartment, 207 West 11th Street, New York City. She remembered the incident vividly because both PERLO and WHEELER became very intoxicated and their activities in PRICE's apartment caused deep resentment in the latter. u

#### RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

##### WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE INDICES:

Portland Field Office advised that WHEELER was a member of the Unemployment Council, the Citizens Unemployment League and the Civic Emergency Federation of Subversive Groups in Portland.

Dies indices of March 10, 1942 show WHEELER as a member of the Washington Committee for Democratic Action, member of the American League for Peace and Democracy and the Washington Book Shop. At this time he was President of Local No. 11, UFWA-CIO.

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The Second Annual Washington Youth Congress held at the Y. W. C. A. November 1, 2 and 3, 1940, had WHEELER as a speaker representing the Washington Committee for Aid to China, at which time WHEELER called for co-operation between the United States and the Soviet Union.

The records of the Washington Youth Congress reflect that DONALD WHEELER, 4118 Third Road, North Arlington, Virginia, was a member of this organization.

DONALD WHEELER of 4118 Third Road, North Arlington, Virginia was a delegate from No. 11, UFWA-CIO to the Washington Committee for Democratic Action.

WHEELER was listed as a member of the WCDA in 1941.

Mailing list of the Washington Book Shop of 1944 reflects that Mr. and Mrs. DONALD WHEELER of 4118 Third Road, North Arlington, Virginia, received communications from a confidential source. It is estimated that the WHEELERS recently made a \$10.00 deposit in the Washington Book Shop in 1946. u

DONALD WHEELER, 4118 Third Road, North Arlington, Virginia, was a member of the Washington Committee for Aid to China in 1941.

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In 1942 Mr. and Mrs. D. N. WHEELER were on the indices and active mailing list in Washington, D. C. of the United American Spanish Aid Committee.

DIES Committee indices records further reflect that a witness testifying before the committee identified DONALD WHEELER as a member of the governing board of the Washington Book Shop during the period up to June 13, 1941.

Indices reflect that April 18, 1944, DONALD WHEELER was listed as a life member of the Washington Book Shop. His address at that time was Conduit Road (McArthur Road), Brookmont, Maryland. Telephone number - Oliver 4324; former address 4118 Third Road, North Arlington, Virginia.

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While instructor at Yale University September 1938 to April 1939 WHEELER was strongly sympathetic to the Spanish Loyalist and Popular Front groups in France. He was a member of the Popular Front while a student in France. He was also an ardent reader of the "Daily Worker".

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Through a highly confidential source, it was determined that DONALD WHEELER's name and telephone number, Oliver 4324 was listed in the diary of MARY JANE KEENEY. MARY JANE is a contact of numerous subjects in the instant case. *Refer*

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Professor CHARLES ~~MCKINLEY~~, Reed College, Portland, Oregon  
(August 28, 1944).  b2D


~~MCKINLEY~~ was a speaker at the American Peace Mobilization, Portland, Oregon, in August of 1940. His name is listed on the active indices of the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties.) ~~(S)~~ u

Dr. G. B. ~~NOBLE~~, 7524 S. E. No. 1 Avenue, Portland, Oregon.  
(Sponsor of the Spanish Refugee Relief Campaign, on the indices of the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties) ~~(S)~~ u

DANIEL JOSEPH ~~BOORSTEIN~~ (Name appears in address book of ISRAEL ~~HALPERIN~~, known Soviet espionage agent in June of 1942. Professor of Law at University of Chicago who was tried in Canada for a violation of the Official Secrets Act. ~~BOORSTEIN~~ attended Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar in 1936. His name also appears in a booklet published by the Communist Party of New England entitled, "Americans in Spain - New England Fights for Spanish Democracy". It is noted that ~~WHEELER~~ saw ~~BOORSTEIN~~ in Chicago, Illinois in the fall of 1946.) ~~(S)~~ u

H. S. ~~HUGHES~~, Department of State, Washington, D. C. Reflects ~~HUGHES~~ attempted to indoctrinate United States Air Attache in August of 1946 in Communist Party ideology. ~~(S)~~ u

RICHARD ~~MORFORD~~, Reed College, Portland Oregon. (National Committee of American Soviet (Soviet Friendship officer?). ~~(S)~~ u

61-9654-2 (13) ~~RICHARD ALLEN LIEBES~~, (1936-38. (~~LIEBES~~ was associate of JOHN ~~REINECKE~~, well-known Communist in Hawaii. ~~LIEBES~~ was considered one of the leading Communists while he was in Hawaii.  b2D

His wife, BRUNHILDE ~~LIEBES~~, is an active member of the Communist Party, Bethune Branch, Salem, Oregon.) ~~(S)~~ u

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PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE:

11-20-45. At 8:00 P. M. WHEELER entered the residence of VICTOR PERLO, 4517 Brandywine Street, N. W. 8:30 out.

11-25-45. Second Lieutenant ALFRED WILLIAM INTEMANN spent the day with WHEELER. INTEMANN is originally from Morris County, New Jersey. He was born in Germany and was a member of MID. 11:05 A. M. VICTOR PERLO entered the subject's residence and left at 11:20 A. M.

12-7-45. WHEELER picked up DUNCAN LEE and his wife and drove them to residence, arriving at 7:30 P. M.

12-9-45. ROGER ABBOTT LEWIS entered WHEELER's residence at 6:15 P. M. (LEWIS attended Communist Party meetings in 1944 in the District of Columbia and is friendly with Communist members in the District.)

12-12-45. WHEELER entered the apartment of SAM and PAULA VANHYNING, Apartment 2, 804 23rd Street, N. W. The VANHYNINGS were employees at OSS.

10-8-46. WHEELER entered the residence of ARTHUR STEIN, 3530 Quebec Street, N. W. at 9:05 P. M. (ANNA and ARTHUR STEIN were former members of the Communist Party in New York City. They are alleged to have come to Washington, D. C. to organize and formulate plans for a Communist Party underground in the United States government.)

11-26-46. DUNCAN LEE and his wife entered the subject's residence at 7:25 P. M.

2-4-47. At 11:40 A. M. WHEELER entered the office of Local 471, CIO Restaurant Workers, whose President, DICK BANCROFT, is a member of the Communist Party. He left at 11:55 A. M.

2-6-47. WHEELER entered the headquarters of Local 471, CIO-Restaurant Workers.

2-12-47. 2:48 P. M. WHEELER entered Local 471, 1015 M Street, N. W. 3:00 P. M. on the same date DANIEL M. SCHWARTZ entered the same address.

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2-14-47. The subject and his wife, ARMITAGE and MARIAN COLMAN, VIRGINIA and HARRY LEHMAN, entered the residence of DUNCAN LEE at 7:40 P. M.

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[redacted] advised the following: u b2 b7D

11-30-45. ISABEL and DUNCAN LEE were at WHEELER's residence.

12-2-45. ISABEL and DUNCAN LEE were at WHEELER's residence.

12-3-45. ANNIE and ARTHUR STEIN were in contact with the WHEELERS.

12-7-45. Mr. and Mrs. DUNCAN LEE at WHEELER's residence.

12-21-45. RUTH SHERMAN contacted DONALD WHEELER. (She may be wife of ROBERT SHERMAN, pro-Communist, active in National Negro Conference and Committee for Democratic Action in 1941) u

1-13-46. ELEANOR DRIESEN contacted MARY WHEELER. In 1941 DRIESEN was a reported member of the Communist Party and President of Local 27, UOPW. u

1-16-46. ANNIE STEIN was in contact with MARY WHEELER. On the same date CAROLYN DeCAUX and ELEANOR FOWLER's names were mentioned by the informant. LEONARD DeCAUX reported member of the Communist Party in District. ELEANOR DeCAUX reported member of the Communist Party in the District. u

1-24-46. SAM KOENIGSBERG, close friend of WHEELERS.

1-28-46. PAULA and SAM VANHYNING, friends of WHEELERS

2-20-46. ELLEN PERLO, friend of MARY WHEELER.

2-27-46. SARAH ROSENBERG, co-manager of the Washington Book Shop arranged with MARY WHEELER a party for ELEANOR WHEELER. Persons invited were EUGENE HOLMES, Howard University and MARCUS GOLDMAN. u

3-4-46. Following persons were invited for the party for ELEANOR WHEELER arranged by MARY WHEELER to be held March 16, 1946: u

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Dr. JOHN and FRANCIS PAYNE  
MARY and ANGUS RICHTER  
GALE RICHTER  
PEGGY and GORDON MCINTYRE  
MARCUS GOLDMAN  
PORTIA S. WESTER  
Mr. and Mrs. JOSEPH PIERCE  
HENRIETTA JONES  
DANTE RADICE  
FRENCH ROBERTS  
TOM and VIVIAN TATE  
ROSE MASSIS  
EVELYN TIMONS

4-24-46. MARY WHEELER promised WINIFRED HANDLER a small donation to the Southern Conference of Human Welfare. (4) u

5-10-46. OSCAR and EDNA GASS, ROBERT and HELEN BARNARD, Mr. and Mrs. NOBLE and Mr. and Mrs. MCKINLEY, guests at WHEELER's residence. (4) u

5-11-46. BETTY HAZEN GRAMBS planned to visit the WHEELERS in the near future. GRAMBS was a member of the Communist Political Association in April 12, 1943. She held Communist Party meetings in her home in Berkeley, California in the summer of 1944. She attended Reed College with WHEELER. (4) u

5-11-46. WHEELERS had dinner with SAM and PAUL VANHYNING. (4) u

5-23-46. GERTRUDE HURNEY advised she might rent the WHEELERS' residence for the summer. HURNEY member of the Washington Book Shop and a friend of CHARLOTTE GOLD and ELIZABETH SEARLE, Communist Party members in D. C. (4) u

11-10-46. [REDACTED] advised the following: (4) u b2 b7D

MARY WHEELER invited ISABEL and DUNCAN LEE to her home on the following Friday. (4) u

11-19-46. The subject and DUNCAN LEE had lunch together. (4) u

11-22-46. JEANETTE GILLERMAN, former OSS and believed Communist Party member, friend of WHEELERS. (4) u

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2-6-47. DAN SCHWARTZ, GRACE LEVINE and OLIVER PALMER in  
contact with WHEELER (S) u

3-20-47. ANNIE STEIN, SELMA REIN, MAY WOLFBEIN and GLADYS  
HURSH, friends of MARY WHEELER (S) u

4-13-47. VICTOR and ELLEN PERID visited the WHEELERS'  
residence. (S) u

[redacted] advised that WHEELER was also friendly with ROBERT  
WARREN BARNETT of OSS and ROSE RASSIS, Communist Party, Washington, D. C.  
HUNTER MORRISON, FREDRICK and CHARLOTTE SILLERS, JOE PIERCE, Communist  
Party, D. C., ISABELLA SAVERY, Communist Party, Seattle; REBA LEWIS, daughter of ROSE LEAH ANDERSON, a known member of the Communist Party  
in Washington, D. C. (S) u

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Federal Bureau of Investigation



American Embassy  
1, Grosvenor Square  
London, England  
April 29, 1947

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ATTENTION: SIS EUROPEAN DESK

VIA AIR POUCH

Director, FBI  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: THEODOR <sup>Q</sup>BAUMGOLD  
ESPIONAGE - R

As requested in my letter of October 17, 1946, and again on January 30, 1947, I would appreciate being advised when a reply may be expected.

Very truly yours,

*J. A. Cimperman*  
J. A. Cimperman  
Legal Attaché

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**Date:** May 9, 1947  
**To:** Legal Attache  
London, England  
**From:** John Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation  
**Subject:** THEODORE BAUMGOLD  
ESPIONAGE - R

Reference is made to previous correspondence with you concerning Theodor Baumgold, a known contact and possibly a relative of Dr. Abraham B. Bernstein, a dentist in New York City.

Investigation has not definitely disclosed the fact that Baumgold is presently engaged in espionage activities or his relationship in respect to Dr. Bernstein.

Information has been received recently through [REDACTED]

Should any information come to the Bureau's attention to further substantiate its original suspicions concerning Baumgold, you will be immediately advised.

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT ADVISED KATHLEEN LEVIN,  
WIFE OF DAN LEVIN, NYC, UNO EMPLOYEE, IS STAYING TEMPORARILY AT MARY  
JANE KEENEY'S APARTMENT WHILE MARY JANE REMAINS WITH ALIX REUTHER.  
ON MAY SEVEN KATHLEEN CONTACTED GRACE JOHNSON AND GERTI LANDAUER, STATE  
DEPARTMENT, MAKING LUNCHEON ENGAGEMENT WITH LATTER. ON MAY SEVEN REBEKAH  
FITZGERALD MENTIONED EDWARD FITZGERALD WAS GOING TO NEW YORK TONIGHT.

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WINIFRED LUNNING REQUESTED GRIMMIE (GERTRUDE CAMERON) TO ACT AS SITTER  
AND THEREAFTER ACCEPTED DINNER ENGAGEMENT FOR LUNNINGS WITH NOEL HELLMAN-  
DINGER, STATE DEPARTMENT, AT LATTER'S APARTMENT. ON MAY SEVEN NORTMAN  
ADVISED WIFE HE HAD NOT YET GIVEN THEM (STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS) THAT  
MATERIAL. HE STATED HE HAD NINETEEN DIFFERENT PIECES AND HAD YET TO HAVE  
IT TYPED. LATER NORTMAN INDICATED HE HAD DONE BEAUTIFUL JOB ON THE STUFF  
AND OVERHELMED THEM WITH THE GREAT AMOUNT HE FURNISHED. ON MAY SEVEN

MILDRED BRADY ADVISED HELEN SILVERMASTER SHE JUST ARRIVED IN WASHINGTON  
DOING ANOTHER WRITING JOB FOR THIS PUBLIC RELATIONS GUY. MILDRED INQUIRED

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CONCERNING BILL AND DOROTHY ~~TAYLOR~~ AND ALSO ASKED IF HARRY WHITE HAD LEFT  
THE FUND. MILDRED REFERRED TO AN ARTICLE IN HARPER'S ABOUT THESE ANARCHISTS  
AND MENTIONED SHE PURCHASED A BOOK GREG TOLD HER ABOUT. SHE STATED SHE  
SEES LOT OF SIMILARITY TO THESE THINGS RIGHT NOW. MILDRED MENTIONED LEO  
\*ROGAN (PHONETIC) HAS CANCER OF THE PANCREAS AND BOB ~~BRADY~~ IS TAKING HIS  
CLASSES. [REDACTED]

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May 1, 1947

*Gregory*

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. D. M. LADD

Mr. Tolson  
Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Ladd  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Tracy  
Mr. Carson  
Mr. Egan  
Mr. Gurnea  
Mr. Harbo  
Mr. Hendon  
Mr. Pennington  
Mr. Quinn Tamm  
Mr. Nease  
Miss Gandy

I don't understand how we can furnish to the State Department at this time a summary memorandum on the interview with P. Bernard Norton and not furnish similar reports to other employing departments. You will recall that the Treasury Department has requested the Attorney General to furnish them with the current developments in this case in so far as it affects Treasury employees and no action is being taken upon this request. I think we must adopt a uniform policy with reference to the subjects in this case who are government employees and, with Departmental approval, take the same action with reference to all government departments.

I think you had better bring this up at the Executives Conference to establish a policy and have it approved by the Director and the Attorney General so that we will not discriminate against any department.

Very truly yours,

Edw. A. Tamm

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THIS MEMORANDUM IS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

FROM : The Executive Conference

SUBJECT:

DATE: May 10, 1947

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_

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Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

At a meeting of the Executives' Conference on May 8, 1947, attended by Messrs. Tolson, Tamm, Glavin, Tracy, Nichols, Harbo, Rosen, Clegg, Mohr and Ladd, the conference was advised that a request had been received from the State Department for a summary memorandum setting forth the results of the interview with P. Bernard Nortman in connection with the Gregory case, it being noted that Nortman is an employee of the State Department.

The conference was advised that there were several other subjects in the Gregory case who were also interviewed and that the results of all these interviews had been referred to the Attorney General. The conference was advised further that some time ago complete writeups were sent to the Attorney General with the suggestion that he consider furnishing these writeups to the employing agency and that the Attorney General had held up the transmittal of this information pending the decision of the Department as to further action in this case.

The conference unanimously recommended that this request from the State Department for information on Nortman be referred to the Attorney General and that the Attorney General's attention be called to the other subjects in the Gregory case who were recently interviewed who are presently on the Government roll and that he be asked as to whether such information should now be furnished to the employing agency.

In the event you approve of the recommendation of the conference, there is attached hereto a appropriate memorandum to the Attorney General.

Respectfully,  
For the Conference

Clyde Tolson

E. A. Tamm

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cc - Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Mohr

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I am approving this but I note  
more more the investigative side  
of the Bureau is sending memos to  
A. G. asking for info on matters  
we should be able to decide ourselves.  
It is a little way of passing the  
buck. H.



# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. Ladd

FROM : J. C. Strickland

SUBJECT: LOUIS BEAN

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On April 15, 1947, Agents of the Washington Field Office, while surveilling subject William Walter Remington, the subject in the Gregory Case, observed that Remington met subject Harry Magdoff and Louis Bean at the corner of Fifteenth Street and New York Avenue, Northwest, after which they all walked to the State Department Building. When Remington was interviewed, he advised that he knew subject Magdoff when they were both employed at the War Production Board; and that Bean is presently employed by the Bureau of the Budget. He volunteered no further information concerning these persons. (u)

A review of the Bureau files reflect that Louis Bean is possibly identical with Louis Hyman Bean, 3714 North Randolph Street, Arlington, Virginia. On the evening of March 31, 1946, a car registered to this individual, bearing 1945 Virginia license plates #473-993, described as a 1941 Hudson Sedan, was observed in the front of the residence of Harry Dexter White, where a meeting was being held, which was attended by some well known liberal thinking individuals who are known contacts of Harry White. According to highly confidential sources, it was previously learned that this meeting was to be of a political nature.

One Louis Hyman Bean, an economist at the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, Department of Agriculture, was the subject of a Hatch Act Investigation in 1942. The investigation was predicated upon a report by the House Un-American Affairs Committee to the effect that Louis Hyman Bean and his wife were members of the Washington Committee for Democratic action. However, it was subsequently learned that Bean's name did not appear on the active indices of this organization. However, his wife's did so appear.

Bean's address at that time was 2271 North Upton, Arlington, Virginia. The above organization was later known as the American People's Mobilization and has been declared subversive by the Attorney General. During this investigation,

Mrs. Bean also belonged to the League of Women Shoppers. Investigation reflected that Bean was born April 15, 1896 at Rega, Russia.

## ACTION

It is suggested that since Louis Bean is a known contact and associate of Harry Magdoff, Harry Dexter White and William Walter Remington, all subjects in the Gregory Case strongly suspected of being engaged in soviet espionage, and is presently employed at the Bureau of the Budget, that this information be made available to Mr. Glavin in order that he may furnish it to one of his contacts in the Bureau of the Budget if he deems this action advisable.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: 5/17/47

FROM : W. R. GLAVIN

SUBJECT:

Mr. Tolson  
Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Coffey  
Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Ladd  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Tracy  
Mr. Carson  
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Mr. Nease  
Miss Gandy

Reference is made to Mr. Strickland's memorandum to Mr. Ladd under date of May 3, 1947, concerning Louis Bean. In connection with this individual I ascertained confidentially

It is my understanding that Bean has recently resigned from the Bureau of the Budget to take an undersecretary's position in the Department of Agriculture, his services having been requested by the Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Anderson. It is understood that he is handling some particular project in Agriculture at the present time.

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Director, FBI

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April 16, 1947

Re: GREGORY  
ESPIONAGE - R  
HAROLD S. GLASSER

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter to New York dated March 14, 1947. This letter is prepared for use in connection with the anticipated interview of subject HAROLD S. GLASSER.

BACKGROUND

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Date of Birth

The records of the Passport and Visa Section of the State Department, Washington, D. C., reflect that GLASSER was born November 23, 1905, at Chicago, Illinois.

The records of the Civil Service Commission in a review of subject's personnel file at the Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., reflect he was born November 24, 1905, at Chicago, Illinois.

However, from a review of subject's Selective Service file GLASSER stated he was born November 23, 1904, at Chicago, Illinois.

The Bureau of Vital Statistics at Chicago, Illinois, reflect no record of GLASSER's birth.

Education

1922 to 1926

University of Chicago  
Ph. B. in 1926

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1926 to 1928  
1929 to 1930  
1930 to 1931

University of Chicago  
Harvard University  
University of Chicago

While a student at the University of Chicago, GLASSER is known to have resided at 4624 North Central Park Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Employment

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The WPA application filed by HAROLD S. GLASSER for the position of Statistician, Administrative Division, WPA, at Chicago, Illinois, in 1935, reflects that GLASSER stated in the application he had never been arrested.

The records of the Civil Service Commission at Washington, D. C., were checked and it was determined that the application filled out by GLASSER was destroyed along with numerous other records following the routine procedure of the Civil Service Commission.

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The records of the Chicago Police Department and the Identification Section of this Bureau contained no record of GLASSER's arrest.

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ALLEGATIONS OF ELIZABETH TERRELL BENTLEY <sup>①</sup>

In November of 1943, JACOB ~~X~~ GOLOS advised ELIZABETH TERRELL BENTLEY that he, through EARL ~~X~~ BROWDER, had established contact with a group in Washington, D. C. Subsequently in the early part of 1944 EARL BROWDER indicated to BENTLEY that he would make arrangements for BENTLEY to meet this group at JOHN ~~X~~ ABT's apartment in New York City. BENTLEY held a meeting with representatives of this group which was designated as the PERLO Group and at that time learned that HAROLD GLASSER was a member. It was indicated that GLASSER had been out of the United States as a representative of the United States Treasury; <sup>u</sup>

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that he returned in the early part of 1944 and thereafter was stationed in the Treasury Department at Washington, D. C. It was further indicated that GLASSER was closely associated with and probably assistant to HARRY DEXTER WHITE, an official of the Treasury Department. u

According to BENTLEY, HAROLD GLASSER subsequently furnished general information concerning the activities of the Treasury Department, particularly concerning proposed loans by the United States to foreign countries. He also supplied information originating in the Foreign Economic Administration which information had been sent to the Treasury Department. u

After HAROLD GLASSER's return from Europe, VICTOR PERLO, a member of the group, advised that GLASSER had requested to be allowed to return as a member of that group. BENTLEY was advised by PERLO that GLASSER and one or two others had previously been taken over by an American in a Government agency in Washington, D. C., and turned over to a Russian contact. The identity of the American was not known to PERLO and CHARLES KRAMER was indicated as the person who would provide the information. BENTLEY determined from KRAMER that the person who originally took GLASSER away from the original group was a person named HISS (ALGER) in the United States State Department. BENTLEY advised that HAROLD GLASSER was a known member of the Communist Party. u

#### RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

The active indices of the Washington Committee for Spanish Refugee Aid, a local branch of the United American Spanish Aid Committee, reflect that Mr. and Mrs. HAROLD GLASSER of 339 Willard Avenue, Chevy Chase, Maryland, were contributors to that organization.

The indices of the Washington Committee for Democratic Action reflect the names of Mr. and Mrs. HAROLD GLASSER, 339 Willard Avenue, Friendship Heights, Maryland, Wisconsin 6977 J.

Confidential Informants of the Chicago Field Division advised that HAROLD GLASSER of 7249 Constance Street, Chicago, Illinois,

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was a member of the Communist Party. The informants advised further that GLASSER was a suspected Communist organizer in the Inter-Professional Association for Social Insurance. This organization was apparently headed by BORIS GOPSTEIN, presently an official in the Soviet Union Government who departed from the United States in 1935. GOPSTEIN, an accountant, was described as a radical. Later the above organization became a front group for the Communist Party in Chicago, Illinois.

KATHRYN WILLS, divorced wife of VICTOR PERLO, advised the President of the United States in a letter that HAROLD GLASSER was a member of the Communist Party in Washington, D. C., and in addition the following persons were also members of the Communist Party:

Victor Perlo  
John Abt  
George Silverman

Through a highly confidential source having access to the personal diary of MARY JANE KEENEY, it was determined that on April 26, 1945, a party was held at the residence of ALLAN ROSENBERG which was attended by MORDECAI EZEKIEL's and HAROLD and FAYE GLASSER. Through this same source it was determined that on May 25, 1945, a party was held in honor of JUST LUNING. Persons in attendance were:

Phil and Lillian Dunaway  
David and Edith Wahl  
Nate Engelmann  
Bowen Smith  
Dexter Masters  
Faye and Harold Glasser

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December 1, 1945 - HAROLD GLASSER received a communication from the Southern Conference for Human Welfare. (X) u

January 12, 1946 - GLASSER received a communication from EDWARD and ROSE SALKER. (X) u

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July 6, 1946 - A communication from MORDECAI EZEKIEL, East Blue Hill, Maine. (M)

The physical surveillance conducted at GLASSER's residence on July 26, 1946, reflected that the following persons were in attendance from 8 P.M. to 12 P.M. on that date:

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~~SOLOMAN ADLER~~  
~~ALLAN ROSENBERG~~  
~~ERNA ROSENBERG~~  
~~JOSEPH B. FRIEDMAN~~  
~~SAMUEL and EVELYN MILLER~~

On August 3, 1946, SOLOMAN ADLER was observed to spend the afternoon from 2:30 P.M. to 6:20 P.M. at HAROLD GLASSER's residence.

On February 9, 1947, EDWARD M. ~~BERNSTEIN~~ and his wife ~~EDITH~~ L. of 3513 North Hamilton Street, N. W. were observed visiting at GLASSER's residence. They arrived at 8:40 P.M.

On July 13, 1946, HAROLD GLASSER was observed to visit at the residence of ALLAN ROSENBERG, 6955 Brooks Lane, Washington, D. C., from 4:10 to 4:30 P.M.

On March 21, 1947, a party was held at the home of MORIECAI EZEKIEL and LUCILIE EZEKIEL, 5000 Allendale Road, Green Acres, Maryland, which was attended by the following persons:

Harold and Faye Glasser  
Mary Jane Keeney  
Beatrice Schwartz  
Mr. and Mrs. Boyan Athanassov  
Morris Rodman  
Elliott H. Moyer  
Carl Green

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~~\*~~ Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that on October 25, 1946, Mr. and Mrs. ALLAN ROSENBERG and Mr. and Mrs. MORIECAI EZEKIEL had dinner at the GLASSER residence. The informant also advised that sometime in February, 1946, a party was held at ALLAN ROSENBERG's residence, 6955 Brooks Lane, Washington, D. C., which was attended by Mr. and Mrs. BOWEN SMITH, ANNE and MAYNARD ~~GERTLER~~, CARL ~~GREEN~~, Mr. b2  
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and Mrs. DAVE WAHL and HAROLD and FAYE GLASSER.

Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that on September 11, 1946, HAROLD and FAYE GLASSER attended a party at ALLAN ROSENBERG's residence. b2 b7D

X Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that HAROLD GLASSER was acquainted with the following people at Washington, D. C.: b2 b7D

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George Silverman

Maurice Halperin

Ludwig Ullman

Bowen Smith

Frank Coe

Harry White

Annie Stein

Donald Wheeler

Soloman A. Lischinsky

Victor Perlo

William H. Taylor

Roger Ruchik (Minneapolis, Minnesota ?)

John Abt, 444 Central Park West, New York City

Nancy Wertheimer, 21 Cornelious Street, New York City.

Very truly yours

*Guy Hottel*  
GUY HOTTEL

Special Agent in Charge

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Washington Field Division, Room 1706  
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Director, FBI

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HAROLD GLASSER

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated April 4, 1947, which instructed that HAROLD GLASSER be interviewed by the Washington Field Office. In this connection, it is noted that GLASSER could not be interviewed on April 15, 1947, with the other subjects in this case inasmuch as he was an advisor at that time to Secretary of State GEORGE C. MARSHALL in the U.S.S.R. GLASSER returned to Washington, D. C. on April 27, 1947, and was interviewed at his consent and convenience at the Washington Field Office April 30 and May 3, 1947, by Special Agents JEROME M. GARLAND, and E. HYATT MOSSBURG.

On April 30, 1947, GLASSER was interviewed from 10 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. at which time because of his prior commitments it was necessary for him to leave the office. He willingly agreed to return and at his convenience he was again interviewed on May 3, 1947, from 10:12 a.m. to 12:25 p.m. at the Washington Field Office. Thereafter a statement was prepared, and on May 7, 1947, GLASSER was contacted by Special Agent MOSSBURG and requested to come to the Washington Field Office to sign the statement taken from him. Arrangements were then made and Mr. GLASSER appeared at the Washington Field Office at 2 p.m. on May 7, 1947, and was met by Special Agents GARLAND and MOSSBURG, at which time he read the following statement. At the conclusion of the reading he stated that he would rather call the meetings he attended with ART WITT "social worker meetings" instead of Communist Party meetings. He also stated that he had not said that he was a member of the American League Against War and Fascism, but that he may have been a member. He refused to sign the statement unless changes were made in these two instances. The interview was thereafter terminated and he left the office at 2:30 p.m.

"I, HAROLD GLASSER, make the following statement to Special Agents JEROME M. GARLAND and E. HYATT MOSSBURG of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. No threats, promises or duress has been used to

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Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Ladd  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Tracy  
Mr. Carson  
Mr. Egan  
Mr. Gurnea  
Mr. Hendon  
Mr. Pennington  
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Mr. Nease  
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induce me to make this statement. I am making it of my own free will knowing it can be used against me in a Court of Law.

"I deny giving confidential information or any information obtained by me at any time during my employment with the U. S. Government to any unauthorized person or group of persons, who were not entitled to that information through their official Government positions. I also deny having any knowledge of or being a member of any group obtaining or attempting to obtain information from the U. S. Government for the purpose of furnishing that information to any member of the Communist Party or to any unauthorized source. To my knowledge I have never in casual conversation furnished confidential Government information to any unauthorized person.

"In 1933 or 1934 I was living at 7429 Constance Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and at that time I was definitely interested in the theories of the Communist Party and I would describe myself at that time as a definite 'Leftist.' One of my very close friends at that time was one ART WITT, a member of the Communist Party in Chicago, Illinois, who was later killed while fighting for the Loyalist cause in the Spanish Civil War. I attended a number of Communist Party gatherings and meetings, as well as one or two 'Cloak and Dagger' meetings with WITT, where we went into hidden cellars in the best underground method. I recall that WITT asked me to become a member of the Communist Party during this time and that I laughed it off, refused to become a member of the Communist Party at that time, and have never been a member of the Communist Party in my life. I also refused to join the Trade Union Unity League at WITT's request. I do not recall the names of any other persons, whom I could definitely state were members of the Communist Party at that time.

"About this same period in Chicago, Illinois, I was associated with an organization known as the Inter-Professional Association for Social Insurance. I became associated with this group inasmuch as my wife, FAYE COHEN GLASSER, was a social worker and I believe that this particular organization was formed merely as a method of organizing a huge banquet for MARY VAN KLEECK, an acknowledged leader for social work at that time. I acted in the capacity of treasurer for the dinner which was given in VAN KLEECK's honor. I do not know who was the head of the Chicago group of the Inter-Professional Association for Social Insurance. I have never heard of BORIS GOPSTEIN and I did not know that this organization was in any way connected with the Communist Party.

"During the period 1933 to 1935 when I was an instructor in the People's Junior College in Chicago, Illinois, and a member of the

American League Against War and Fascism, I may have contributed funds to this organization but I can not definitely recall that I did. I also gave money on a number of occasions to the Spanish Loyalist cause through the medium of the United American Spanish Aid Committee. As a matter of fact, I contributed this money all during the Spanish Civil War as I felt very strongly for the Loyalist cause and I believe that the defeat of the Loyalists by the Franco Group was a great tragedy. This tragedy, in my opinion, opened the door to the invasion of Europe by Fascist forces. I also feel that the non-aggression pact entered into by the Soviet Union and Germany was a similar tragedy.

"I have never at any time been active in the Washington Committee for Democratic Action. I did receive certain pamphlets which I believe were from that organization, and I may have been on their mailing list.

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"I first met VICTOR PERLO in Washington, D. C. around 1937 and 1938, probably at a friend's home, whom I do not recall. PERLO was interested in the domestic affairs of the business world and I consider him an excellent statistician. However, at the time PERLO attempted to secure employment in the Monetary Division of the Treasury Department about a year and a half ago, I opposed his appointment inasmuch as this division is concerned with international affairs only, and I felt that PERLO's appointment would be at cross purposes with the aims of this division. In spite of my protest, however, PERLO was employed. I heard from my superiors at the Treasury Department that PERLO was subsequently investigated by the FBI in connection with the securing of this job at the Treasury Department. PERLO remained in the Treasury until March or April, 1947, a total of about a year and a few months, at which time he was informed by me that he would have to resign inasmuch as the FBI investigation had developed unfavorably on security lines concerning him. I became fairly well acquainted with PERLO in a social way over the period of time that I knew him, but I did not know his first wife at all well. In my opinion, I considered her "a little cuckoo." I only met her on one or two occasions and can definitely say that on those occasions she acted in a peculiar manner and dressed rather unusually. I first met VICTOR PERLO's second wife shortly after they were married in 1944 or 1945. However, since PERLO's second marriage neither my wife nor I have had very much to do with them socially and most of my contacts with PERLO have been in the form of business meetings and luncheon dates.

"From November 30, 1942, to January 10, 1943, I was on loan from the U. S. Treasury to the War Production Board and during that time I saw a great deal of VICTOR PERLO. I was new on the job and I asked him a great many questions concerning the work I was engaged in. During that same period I also saw HARRY MAGDOFF, and VEET BASSIE. I knew MAGDOFF only casually at the War Production Board through my business

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contacts with him. I first met VEET BASSIE at the University of Chicago in 1929 and have known him well. I have never furnished VICTOR PERLO with any confidential information which I secured in my official capacity at the Treasury Department or which I may have secured through any other Governmental agency. However, during the time I was on loan to the War Production Board it was necessary of course for me to discuss some of the work I was engaged in at the War Production Board with VICTOR PERLO.

"I recall that in February, 1943, I went to North Africa on business for the Treasury Department and I returned to this country around September, 1943. Shortly after my return I had lunch with VICTOR PERLO at the Madrillon Restaurant, and at that time I discussed with him some of my experiences during my trip, which I knew were not confidential and had in fact appeared in the newspapers in this country. These discussions were only concerned with general non-confidential information and were not carried on with the idea of furnishing information to PERLO.

"I first met HARRY DEXTER WHITE in November, 1936, when I was asked to come to the Treasury Department to be interviewed concerning a position that was open at that time. I later found out that my name had been recommended to WHITE by FRANK COE, a former classmate of mine at the University of Chicago. At the time I was hired on November 23, 1936, the Treasury Department - and particularly HARRY WHITE's section - was engaged in assisting President ROOSEVELT in the inauguration of various economic plans in furtherance of the NEW DEAL. HARRY WHITE and I worked together on nights and weekends at the Treasury Department and at WHITE's residence. We put in considerable overtime working on these plans requested by the President. I was therefore extremely close to HARRY WHITE until sometime around the first part of 1940, at which time for some reason unknown to me, WHITE's friendship for me soured and he actually sent me to South America to be rid of me. I asked WHITE on one or two occasions around 1940 the reason for the breaking up of our friendship but he refused to discuss it with me. I do not know the real reason for the breaking off of our friendship as I have always thought a great deal of Mr. WHITE. However, I do recall that about 1938 I met Mr. and Mrs. NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER and LUDWIG ULLMANN at HARRY WHITE's residence, and as a result of this meeting my wife and I were invited to the SILVERMASTER residence sometime shortly thereafter. During the dinner I recalled that I mentioned having been previously married. I have considered the possibility that my failure to acquaint the WHITES with this information concerning my previous marriage may have been the reason WHITE broke off our friendship.

"In regard to HARRY WHITE's background I recall that he mentioned on several occasions that he was formerly a salesman. Years ago he was

extremely interested in an orphanage in Boston, Massachusetts, where he spent a great deal of his time assisting the children there. He met his wife ANN TERRY, a social worker, at this orphanage and they subsequently moved to New York City from Boston, where they were both engaged in managing an orphanage. I do not recall the reason, but this project came to an abrupt end, and from there the WHITES went to Stanford University, where he began his college education. I recall that WHITE has a life-long friend, SAMUEL MILLER, formerly with the Treasury Department and now in Chicago; Illinois, who was reared in the orphanage in New York which Mr. and Mrs. WHITE managed. I also remember that HARRY WHITE added "Dexter" to his name sometime when he was living in Boston and that he took this name from the street where he and his wife formerly lived. Since 1940 I have had very little contact with HARRY WHITE, and this has been entirely a business relationship.

"In regard to my relationship with Mr. and Mrs. NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER and LUDWIG ULLMANN, I recall meeting them at WHITE's home in 1938 and I probably saw them again at the WHITES prior to 1940, and as mentioned above, my wife and I were guests at the SILVERMASTER home, where LUDWIG ULLMANN was also in attendance, sometime around 1938 or 1939. Inasmuch as it was my belief that SILVERMASTER was the cause of my breaking off with HARRY DEXTER WHITE, I never returned the favor by inviting the SILVERMASTERS to my home. I last saw the SILVERMASTERS during the fall of last year at a party at the home of WILLIAM TAYLOR. I have seen LUDWIG ULLMANN on numerous occasions in a business manner at the Treasury Department and at Treasury Department parties inasmuch as he was employed there up until a few months ago.

"I first met ALGER HISS in an interdepartmental committee meeting on the Philippine Islands Independence Act in 1938. I do not know ALGER HISS at all socially and had very little contact with him at any time. I am, however, much better acquainted with his brother DONALD HISS, who for sometime at the State Department handled International Loans and Affairs, which prompted him to have numerous contacts with me at the Treasury Department. As a matter of fact I have never been socially acquainted with either ALGER or DONALD HISS. I do recall meeting ALGER HISS on a streetcar in 1945, and on another occasion I met him and his wife and child while walking along the Canal. I last saw him at the Wardman Park Hotel in September, 1946.

"I would never have been in a position to furnish ALGER HISS or DONALD HISS any official information with regard to Treasury Department international loans inasmuch as all of the international policy actually emanated from the Department of State itself. As a matter of fact, DONALD HISS through his official capacity would be in a position to obtain first hand knowledge of any information that I might develop

through my official capacity in the Treasury Department regarding international loans.

"Regarding my contacts and the dates at the Treasury Department when I became responsible for and actively engaged in confidential Government information concerning loan activities, I would like to set forth the following information.

"In 1938 the U. S. Government had a loan negotiation with China, which was the only important one at that time. From the beginning of 1940 until May, 1942, I was on loan to the Government of Ecuador from the United States and of course was out of the picture as far as any knowledge of vital confidential Treasury Department information was concerned. When I returned to the United States in May, 1942, I went into foreign funds work until around November, 1942. Most of this work was concerned with South America. I then left the Treasury Department on a special assignment to North Africa in February, 1943. I was there until September, 1943. It is about this time that I began to handle very highly confidential Treasury Department information. The first few months in 1944 was a very active period. I went to Italy for about three months at that time and returned in June, 1944. During this period I was particularly concerned with the confidential nature of the work that I was engaged in and was extremely careful in my discussions with individuals not to reveal any information to unauthorized persons before the matter became public. ALGER HISS was never involved in any of the above confidential Treasury Department work, and I was never engaged in any discussion with him concerning this work. On the other hand, DONALD HISS was employed in the State Department and was handling the exact thing that I was handling in the Treasury Department. I believe that I first met DONALD HISS in May, 1942, and then until 1944 I freely exchanged Treasury Department information with him in his official capacity. Actually, DONALD HISS furnished me more information concerning the work he was engaged in than I furnished him. I believe that it was sometime in 1944 that DONALD HISS left the State Department and I have had no contacts with him since that time.

"I first met JOHN ABT in Chicago, Illinois, in 1932 through AGNES JACQUES, whom I had met in the fall of 1932. JOHN ABT and JACQUES both came from the Leopold-Loeb section of Chicago, a wealthy Jewish group. JOHN ABT has been a very close friend of mine from that day on although I have seen him very little since the beginning of World War II. We have been on a social and business basis for a long time. I last saw AGNES JACQUES in November, 1946, when she happened to drop by my home in Washington, D. C. JACQUES formerly taught at the People's School in Chicago, Illinois, where I was also an instructor. I have also a very close social acquaintance with NATHAN WITT of New York City and LEE PRESSMAN, which dates back to my earlier acquaintanceship in the early thirties with JOHN ABT. I last saw JOHN ABT a year or two ago for a

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short time in Washington, D. C. I first met CHARLES KRAMER in 1937 or 1938 at a social gathering, which I believe was at the home of JOHN ABT in Washington, D. C. I have never known KRAMER too well but I have seen him around quite a bit as he and HERBERT SCHIMMEL frequently dropped in at the Treasury Department in connection with HENRY MORGANTHAU's plan for the economic partition of Germany. I have seen CHARLES only three or four times on a social basis. The last meeting I recall was on November 25, 1945, when KRAMER called at my home. I was about this time that I had been selected by the Treasury Department to make a trip to Japan. However, it had been decided that I would not make the trip. In this connection, KRAMER called by my home and was extremely interested in whether I was going to the Far East or not. I believe he was interested in this matter for Senator CLAUDE PEPPER. I of course informed him that I did not intend to make the trip and I don't believe KRAMER stayed at my residence for over a half an hour on that day. I recall that CHARLES KRAMER was originally employed by JOHN ABT on the LaFollette Committee in Washington, D. C. and in 1943 while I was on special assignment to North Africa my wife and the family of CHARLES KRAMER got together at some social functions.

"I first met ROGER RUTCHIK in Minneapolis, Minnesota, since he was in that city and I was employed there from May to November, 1936 by the Department of Agriculture. As I recall, RUTCHIK was the leader of the Farm Labor Party in Minneapolis. We became friendly during my six months' stay in Minneapolis at that time. I first met DONALD WHEELER when I was employed in the Treasury Department. I recall that he was not a very good employee and had left the Treasury and went to work for Senator WAGNER. I do not know him very well; I have never had any social contact with him but I do see him occasionally on the streetcar or on the street. I knew his brother GEORGE SHAW WHEELER much better. I met GEORGE WHEELER at the University of Chicago Graduate School.

"I first met ALLAN ROSENBERG sometime before 1940. I do not recall the circumstances of my meeting and I knew him only casually at that time. When I got back from South America in 1942 I got to know him much better inasmuch as he moved into my neighborhood about that time. About the end of 1944 ROSENBERG became extremely dissatisfied with his position in the Government. He was continually complaining to me that the Government was frustrated and in his opinion the entire thing was run incorrectly. As a result of his feelings and the fact that they embarrassed me to some extent when he would make the complaints, I suggested to him that he get out of the Government, and go into private law practice. He took my suggestion and opened up an office in Washington, D. C. About this time ROSENBERG informed me that he and an individual by the name of SERGE RIPS were interested



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in forming the Transcontinental Corporation as commission brokers to make purchases and do business with certain Balkan countries, such as Greece and Yugoslavia. They needed financial assistance and because of my friendship with ROSENBERG, I introduced my brother MORRIS to ROSENBERG and MORRIS subsequently invested \$11,000 in the business. The business was a failure and my brother lost the entire sum of money. I believe the business was a failure because ROSENBERG spent more time in handling his law practice than he did attending to the business in order to make it a success. As I stated, I have known ROSENBERG since about 1944 very intimately. Our families are on a very close friendly relationship. I believe I know him extremely well and I do not believe that he is a member of the Communist Party. He is extremely interested in civil liberties and I believe that he represented CARL MARZANI in court not so long ago. I was very sorry to see him get mixed up in anything like this.

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"As I stated above, I met HARRY MAGDOFF at the War Production Board when I was on loan from the Treasury. I know him only slightly. I met SOL LISCHINSKY in Chicago, Illinois, in 1932. LISCHINSKY lived in the same building as FRANK COE in Chicago and he taught at People's Junior College, where I was an instructor. LISCHINSKY is a long time friend of mine and I still regard him as a close friend. I met EDWARD FITZGERALD through my business contacts with the Foreign Economic Administration. I know him only slightly. RICHARD SASULY is also a casual acquaintance of mine. I knew his mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. MAX SASULY in Washington, D. C. in the thirties when I was at Brookings Institute. However, I have had very little contact with RICHARD SASULY. I also know CARL GREEN and met him through ALLAN ROSENBERG at ROSENBERG's residence. He impresses me as being very effeminate. He is an extremely casual acquaintance. I also met MARY JANE and "Angus" KEENEY at the home of ALLAN ROSENBERG. I only know them casually. I believe that Mrs. KEENEY once came to my residence for a short visit when I was giving her a ride from the ROSENBERG residence downtown. I believe that MARY JANE KEENEY is a friend of MORDECAI EZEKIAL. Mr. and Mrs. EZEKIAL are also friends of mine and my wife, and in fact I regard them as our very best friends. I feel that MORDECAI EZEKIAL is a liberal.

"I first met WILLIAM TAYLOR at the Treasury Department in 1942 when I returned from South America. I believe that he secured his employment with the Treasury Department while I was out of the country. I have had close social contact with him and he now resides near my residence. I have never met and do not know MAYNARD GERTLER or ARTHUR STEIN. I recall having met Mr. and Mrs. PHILIP DUNAWAY at ROSENBERG's residence on one occasion but they are not friends of mine and I have had no further contact with them. I have had



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considerable business contact with ~~JUST LUNNING~~, and when ~~JUST LUNNING~~ was employed at the FEA he had considerable business in my office. I have had lunch with him several times recently and he impresses me as a liberal. I also met Mr. and Mrs. DAVID WAHL through ALLAN ROSENBERG sometime in 1943. Mrs. WAHL at the present time teaches the Sunday School, where my children attend, and our children take music lessons from the same school in Chevy Chase, Maryland; my wife and I have had very little social contact with the WAHLS and we do not consider them close friends. I knew MORRIS FRIEDBERG at the Treasury Department and he worked under me. I believe he is an extremely close friend of HARRY WHITE, who arranged for his being employed by the Treasury Department. I believe that he came from Boston, Massachusetts, and grew up with WHITE. At the Treasury I also knew ~~BELL MAYER~~, who is a lawyer there. I have had little social contact with him. I first met FRANK COE in Chicago, Illinois, in 1925 when we both attended the University of Chicago. We also were employed together at the Labor Bureau of the Midwest in Chicago.

"I regard myself as an intellectual and come from an intellectual family. I realize that intellectuals are not too stable and I also realize that I wasted a great deal of time 'playing around' with intellectuals during my life. I feel that I am a liberal. In the past years prior to my coming to the Treasury Department I had many liberal and radical friends. I recall that we engaged in intellectual discussions on numerous topics during that time. However, since coming to the Treasury my discussions with intellectual groups have gradually disappeared. I have many radical and liberal friends; however, regardless of these associations I have never engaged in furnishing any information of any kind which came to me in my official capacity to unauthorized persons.

"This is the second time an accusation has been made against me of furnishing confidential Government information to an unauthorized source. At the time of the Quebec Conference in 1944 I was one of the Treasury Department representatives. The night before MORGANTHAU left for Canada I remember staying up all night preparing his German Plan for delivery to the conference. As you may recall, during the conference the press obtained details concerning the MORGANTHAU Plan before it was made public. Shortly thereafter, while I was in Montreal, Canada, attending the Second Council Meeting of UNRRA, EMELIO G. ~~GALLAJO~~ of the State Department was my roommate and I regard him as a very close friend. During that time, I discussed the German Plan with him. When MORGANTHAU and I had returned to the United States, MORGANTHAU called me to his office and accused me of this leakage to the press. I denied it at that time and of course I deny it now. It is my opinion that through

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CALLAJO the State Department accused me of talking and being overheard by a newspaperman. I know MORGANTHAU has never forgotten this and I believe that is the reason why I was passed over and FRANK COE was selected as Director of the Division of Monetary Research when HARRY WHITE left the Treasury Department.

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Witnessed:

During the above mentioned interview background information regarding GLASSER contained in the files of this office was substantiated and confirmed and in addition he furnished the following background information:

GLASSER stated that the birth records in Chicago, Illinois, reflect his birth as November 24, 1905, under the name "Baby Glasser," inasmuch as he was not named until several days after his birth. GLASSER stated he has the following brothers and sisters:

CHARLES GLASSER, born Cincinnati, Ohio, who formerly was employed by the Chicago Herald Tribune and now resides at 2019 North Nordica Street, Chicago, Illinois;

ISIDORE GLASSER, (deceased two years), who prior to World War I played semi-pro baseball under the name of EDWARD GLASSER;

JACOB GLASSER, who is an accountant with the firm of Alteschuler, Melvoin, and Glasser, of 110 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois;

SIDNEY GLASSER, who owns a grocery store in Chicago, Illinois;

Mrs. ANN BENJAMIN, sister, whose husband is an engineer for the Western Electric Company in Chicago, Illinois.

In regard to the addresses at which GLASSER has lived it is noted that from 1936 to 1937 he resided at 908 South Ode Street, Arlington, Virginia; in June, 1937, he lived at 1338 Tuckerman Street, Apartment 2B, Washington, D. C.; he has lived at 339 Willard Avenue, Chevy Chase, Maryland; in 1942 he resided at 662 Bennington Drive, Silver Spring, Maryland; and in 1943 he moved

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to 5410 Cathedral Avenue, N. W. He also advised that when he was attending graduate school in Chicago, Illinois, in 1931 he lived at 5734 Maryland Avenue. He also advised that he resided at 2011 Third Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, when he was employed by the Department of Agriculture in 1936. He lived at Quito, Ecuador, from 1940 to 1942 when on a special assignment from the Treasury Department to the Government of Ecuador. He advised that his wife FAYE previously lived in Dixon, Illinois, where she worked for the Illinois Psychiatric Institute. GLASSER confirmed the fact that his mother and father were born in Russia, stating that his mother was 69 years of age in 1938, that his father was a couple of years older than his mother, that they were both born somewhere near Riga, USSR, and he believes they were both naturalized in Cincinnati, Ohio.

In addition to the children ALICE, RACHEL and LINDA, he advised that he has a son ROBERT (GLASSER) HAMILTON, born in March, 1932. As an item of interest, GLASSER stated that he returned from a trip to Italy in June, 1944, and had previously left the United States in March, 1944. He stated that he was employed in the Treasury Department in Washington, D. C. during the months of January and February, 1944.

GLASSER further stated that prior to his present marriage he was married to IRENE TILL GLASSER, whom he married in Albany, New York, in January, 1932. GLASSER and IRENE were divorced in New York City in the spring of 1932, after which he married his present wife on July 7, 1932. His former wife is now Mrs. WALTON HAMILTON, whose husband has been employed by the Department of Justice and Yale University.

Upon being questioned concerning what "S", his middle initial stands for, GLASSER stated he has no middle name. The records of the Treasury Department inadvertently carried this initial as a consequence of which he offered no objection. He stated the middle initial merely adds color to his name and he has also been carried on the rolls of the Department as HAROLD G. GLASSER.

GLASSER denied that he had ever been arrested for anything other than minor traffic offenses.

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Very truly yours,

*[Signature]*  
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Dear Sir:

On March 13, 1946, information was received as the result of a mail cover placed on BROTHMAN's place of business, Chatham-Phoenix Building, 29-28 41st Avenue, Long Island City, New York, that one M. GERSON, 131 Chester Hall, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, was a correspondent of the subject. On the same day, a teletype was sent to the Knoxville office to make appropriate inquiry.

A teletype has been received from the Knoxville office advising that MILLICENT GERSON, 131 Chester Hall, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, is employed in the Nuclear Energy Propulsion Aircraft Division, Fairchild Corporation, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, as an associate physicist and that GERSON has frequent access to secret and confidential material.

The teletype sets forth that GERSON was born May 24, 1925 and normally resides at 1-E, 64-34 99th Street, Forest Hills, Long Island, New York; that GERSON attended Hunter College from September 1940 to January 1944 and was employed as a parts messenger, Hazeltine Electronics Company, Little Neck, New York from June 1943 to September 1943. GERSON also was a laboratory assistant, Hunter College from June 1942 to August 1942 and was a Jr. Physicist at Princeton University from January 1944 to September 1945. ~~DEFERRED RECORDING~~

The teletype also set forth that GERSON was a technician assistant, Standard Oil Company of California at La Habra from January to September 1946.

It appears that MILLICENT GERSON was cleared for present employment January 1, 1947 after an investigation by the A.A.F.

The Knoxville Field Division has advised that a report is being submitted.

It is requested that the Newark and San Diego Field Divisions conduct a discreet investigation to determine the contacts and loyalty of MILLICENT GERSON while employed at Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey and at the Standard Oil Company of California at La Habra, California, respectively.

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The indices of this office have been reviewed with negative results  
as to the above individual.

Very truly yours,

*Edward Scheidt*

EDWARD SCHEIDT  
Special Agent in Charge

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With further reference to the teletype from the Knoxville Office and the letter from the New York Field Division dated March 24, 1947, reflecting that Millicent Gerson has been in contact with Abraham Brothman, it is desired that the Knoxville Field Division exploit the possibilities of developing sources sufficiently close to Millicent Gerson in order that the Bureau might obtain a clearer picture of her present activities.

It is noted that the files of the Bureau have been checked relative to Millicent Gerson and the only information of value appears in the report of Special Agent Joseph C. Walsh dated at New York City, October 16, 1946, in the case entitled "American-Russian Institute for Cultural Relations with the Soviet Union." In this report on page 11, one Millicent Gerson, 64-36 - 97th Street, Forest Hills, Long Island, indicated a desire to register and attend an "in service" course of the American-Russian Institute.

It is further desired that the Knoxville Field Division obtain the details of the investigation conducted by the A. I. F. prior to her clearance for present employment at the Fairchild Corporation in Oak Ridge.

The New York Office should make every possible effort to be advised as to any future letters received by Brothman from Gerson and to exploit the possibilities of ascertaining the nature of the information being transmitted to Brothman as well as the disposition which Brothman makes of such information.

cc - New York  
Washington

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